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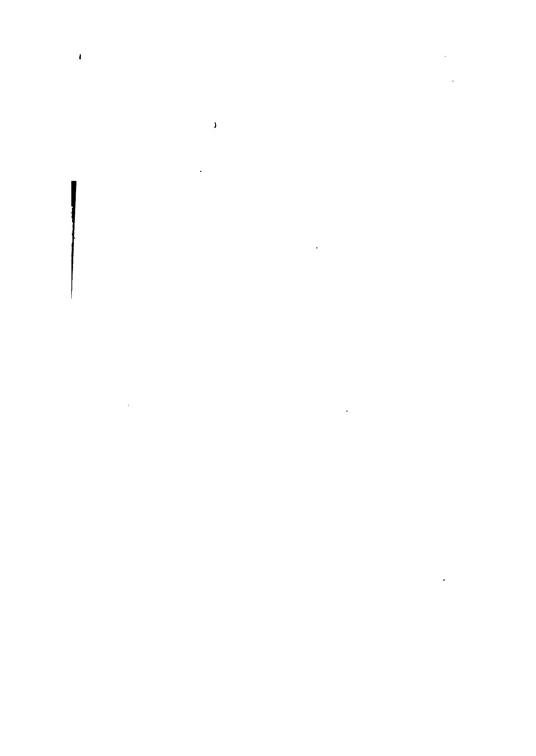
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LIFE AND WRITINGS

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RICHARD BRATHWAITE,

Author of "Natures Embassie."



F the Life and Works of RICHARD BRATHWAITE, the author of the present volume, all that it is now desirable or possible to know has

been told by Haslewood* with such copiousness of detail, that the writer of any new memoir has rather to sift and winnow what has already been gathered and gleaned, than to glean anything new of his own.

Richard Brathwaite, the great-grandfather of our author, lived at and was owner of Ambleside, in the barony of Kendal, in Westmoreland. His grandson, Thomas Brathwaite, the father of the poet, purchased of John Warcop, after a family possession of more than

^{*} Barnabæ Itinerarium, or Barnabee's Journal; by Richard Brathwait, A.M. With a life of the Author, a Bibliographical Introduction to the Itinerary, and a Catalogue of his Works. Edited from the first Edition, by Joseph Haslewood. Lond. 1820 (only 125 copies printed).

three centuries, the manor of Warcop near Appleby, and resided there probably until the death of his own father, Robert Brathwaite, when he became possessed of the paternal estate of Burneshead. He married Dorothy. daughter of Robert Bindloss, of Haulston, Westmoreland. Of this marriage our poet, RICHARD BRATHWAITE, was the fourth child and the second son.* He is supposed to have been born about the year 1588, at his father's seat of Burneshead, above-named, in the parish of Kendal. In two or three copies of verses addressed to the Alderman, to the Cottoneers, and to the Worshipful Recorder of Kendal.+ he alludes to the latter place as the locality of his birth. He may therefore be considered as

- * Fuller particulars of the names, order of birth, and marriages of the poet's elder brother and five sisters are subjoined for those who are interested in them:—
- Agnes, who married Sir Thomas Lamplew, of Downby, Cambridgeshire.
- Thomas (afterwards knighted), married Elizabeth, daughter of Sir John Dalston, of Dalston, Cumberland.
- 3. Alice, married Thomas Barton, of Whenby, Yorkshire.
- 4. Richard, the poet.
- 5. Dorothy, married Francis Salkeld, of Whitehall, Esquire.
- 6. Mary, married John Brisco, of Crofton, Esq.
- 7. Anne, married Alan Askoughe, of Richmond, Yorkshire.

Brathwaite's Description of a Good Wife, 1619, was inscribed "to his five equally affectionate Sisters, all vertuous content."

† A Strappado for the Diuell, 1615, pp. 173-210. These pieces contain some very curious local allusions.

one of the worthies of Westmoreland, and the father of the Lake Poets of that country, though he had little else but the accident of his dwelling-place in common with the three or four distinguished writers who two centuries later were destined to bear that designation.

In 1604, at the age of sixteen, Wood states that BRATHWAITE became a gentleman-commoner of Oriel College, Oxford. graduated here, and been very successful in a college exercise, he was desirous of accepting the encouragement and preferment that seemed to open out to him, and to continue peacefully in those hallowed cloisters the study of literature and poetry. His parents, however, desired him to pursue the profession of the Law,* and after a short stay at the sister University of Cambridge, where his tutor was Lancelot Andrews, afterwards bishop of Winchester, he began to devote himself rather distastefully and reluctantly, to its 'brawling courts' and 'dusky purlieux.' This restraint, however, instead of forcing him into the vortex of dissipation, seems to have rather deepened his love of literature, and his

"Faith in the whispers of the lonely Muse."

In his Spiritval Spicerie (1638), he writes as

^{*} He seems to allude to this in some speeches of Technis, in the first Eglogue of his Shepheards Tales (see pp. 190-191 of the present volume).

follows: - "Amidst these disrelishing studies, I bestowed much precious time in reviving in mee the long-languishing spirit of Poetrie, with other morall assayes; which so highly delighted mee, as they kept mee from affecting that loose kind of libertie, which through fulnesse of meanes and licentiousnesse of the age, I saw so much followed and eagerly pursued by many. This moved mee sometimes to fit my buskin'd Muse for the Stage; * with other occasionall Presentments or Poems: which being free borne, and not mercenarie, received gracefull acceptance of all such as understood my ranke and qualitie. For so happily had I crept into opinion by closing so well with the temper and humour of the time, as nothing was either presented by mee (at the instancie of the noblest and most generous wits and spirits of that time †) to the Stage, or committed by me to the presse; which past not with good approvement in the estimate of the world."

From the Inns of Court BRATHWAITE seems to have adventured for a time among the merchants, and finally to have left Court and City to turn country squire, his parents having settled a sufficient estate upon him.

^{*} No dramatic piece of Brathwaite's of this early period is known to be extant.

[†] William Shakespeare, perhaps (who was still living), or 'rare Ben Jonson.' Who knows?

This resolution was taken soon after the death of his father in 1610; an event which probably led to an arrangement by which possession was given, at no very distant period, of the landed property limited and assigned for his use. Certain it is, the death of BRATHWAITE'S father created some family differences, that were only set right by the prudent intervention of friends. BRATHWAITE specially refers to this subject in the dedication to his uncle—a certain Mr. Robert Bindloss-of his earliest known printed work,* when speaking of "the troubled course of our estates and the favourable regard you had of our attonement, which is now so happily confirmed." In addressing his elder brother he also alludes + to the same subject:—"Our ciuill warres be now ended, vnion in the sweete harmony of minde and coniunction hath prevented the current of ensuing faction," &c.

The full-title of BRATHWAITE'S maiden publication is as follows:—

- 1. The Golden Fleece. Whereto bee annexed two Elegies, Entitled Narcissus Change. And Æsons Dotage. By Richard Brathuvayte!
- * The Golden Fleece, by Richard Brathvvayte, Gentleman, 1611, p. 176.
 - † Ibid, p. 178.
- ‡ It may here be remarked that the name of Brathwaite was spelt by his contemporaries with as many capricious variations as those of his more illustrious contemporaries Dekker and Shakespeare, e. g.—Braithwaite, Braythwait,

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work, written in animated language, and evidently from the heart." Its full title is:

3. The Prodigals Teares: or his fare-well to Vanity. A Treatise of Soueraigne Cordials to the disconsolate Soule, surcharged with the heavy burthen of his sinnes: Ministring matter of remorse to the Impenitent, by the expression of Gods Iudgements. By Richard Brathwait. London, printed by N. O. for T. Gubbins, and are to be sold at his Shop, neere Holborne Conduit, 1614. Small 8vo. pp. iv. 139.

Again in the same year was published BRATHWAITE'S fourth work—

4. The Schollers Medley, or an intermixt Discourse vpon Historicall and Poeticall relations...... By Richard Brathwayte Oxon. London, printed by N. O. for George Norton, and are to bee sold at his Shop neere Templebarre, 1614.* 4to, 63 leaves.

It is in this work (p. 31) that BRATHWAITE speaks of the intention then entertained by his friend Thomas Heywood, the dramatist, to write a general though summary description of the Lives of the Poets.

There were two works published by BRATH-WAITE in 1615:—

5. A Strappado for the Diuell. Epigrams and Satyres alluding to the time, with divers

^{*} This original edition is now become very rare. The book was reprinted, with additions and corrections, in 1638 (and again in 1652), under the title of "A Survey of History."

measures of no lesse delight. (12mo, 16 unnumbered pages of prefatory matter, and 234 numbered pages.)

The title is followed by "the Authors Anagram RICHARDE BRATHWAITE. We have already had hath bar Credit." occasion to quote from some pieces in this work, as verifying the fact of the author's birthplace being at or near Kendal. Payne Collier says there is no work in English which illustrates more fully and amusingly the manners, occupations and opinions of the time when it was written. In the lines "Upon the General Sciolists or Poettasters of Britannie" there is an interesting passage of encomium on George Wither and William Browne. One of the most amusing pieces in the collection, partly from its humour, but more from its allusions, is entitled "Upon a Poet's Palfrey, lying in lavander for the discharge of his provender:" it reminds us in some degree of the Italian artist Bronzino's stanzas upon a horse given to him by one of his patrons, but never delivered. He alludes in the first stanza to Richard III's exclamation of "A horse, a kingdome for a horse" in Shakespeare, and later on to Don Quixote (Shelton's translation of the first part of which had recently been published) and his Rozinante, and to Tamburlaine's exclamation,

"Holla, ye pamper'd jades of Asia,"

in Marlowe's play. Altogether The Poet's Palfrey, with its refrain

"If I had lived but in King Richards dayes,"—

"If I had lived but in Don Quixotes time," &c.

is one of BRATHWAITE'S liveliest and happiest productions.

6. Loves Labyrinth: or the true-Louers knot: including the disastrous fals of two star-crost Louers Pyramus & Thysbe. By Richard Brathwayte. 12mo, 104 numbered pages and 5 supplementary unnumbered pages "To the Reader." The pagination is distinct from that of the previous work, but the printer's signature is continuous. The imprint is the same in both: "At London printed by I. B. for Richard Redmer and are to be sold at the West dore of Pauls at the Starre. 1615."

In some verses prefixed to Humphry Mill's Night's Search, 1646, is a curious allusion to the popularity of the earlier portion of this double volume:—

If Dekker deckt with discipline and wit, Gain'd praises by the *Bell-man* that he writ; Or laud on Brathwait waiting did abound, When a *Strappado for the devill* he found, Then may this Mill of Mills, by right of merit, Equall, if not superior fame inherit.

Love's Labyrinth is a long poem in easy heroic numbers; and Haslewood pronounces that whatever may be its imperfections, it is "not discreditable as the production of early youth."

BRATHWAITE first married in 1617, Frances daughter of James Lawson, of Nesham, near Darlington. The licence was dated May 2nd, 1617, and the marriage ceremony took place at Hurworth, a village about three miles from Darlington, and in the parish of which Nesham is situated. Six sons and three daughters were the issue of this marriage; John, the youngest of the nine, was born 19th February, 1630. BRATHWAITE wrote of him in his Whimzies* as follows:—

"Thou art my ninth, and by it I divine
That thou shalt live to love the Muses nine."

Whether this truly whimsical prophecy was fulfilled or not, we cannot say.

To continue our list of the works of BRATHWAITE. Two extremely curious volumes from his pen issued from the press in this year of his first marriage. The title-page of the first is in itself a curiosity, and runs as follows:—

7. A Solemne Ioviall Disputation, Theoreticke and Practicke; briefely Shadowing the Law of Drinking; together with the Solemnities and Controversies occurring: Fully and freely discussed according to the Civill Law. Which, by the permission, priviledge and authority, of that most noble and famous order in the Vniversity of Goddesse Potina; Dionisius Bacchus

^{*} See Art. 17.

being then President, chiefe Gossipper, and most excellent Governour, Blasius Multibibus, alias Drinkmuch. A singular proficient and most qualifi'd Graduate in both the liberall Sciences of Wine and Beare; in the Colledge of Hilarity, hath publikely expounded to his most approved and improved Fellow Pot-shots; Touching the houres before noone and after, usuall and lawfull.... Faithfully rendred according to the originall Latine Copie. OENOZYTHOPOLIS, at the Signe of Red eyes. CIJIOCXVII. 12mo.

Prefixed is a spirited and minute engraved title in two compartments, by Marshall, exhibiting Wine-drinkers and Beer-drinkers.*

- 8. The Smoaking Age, or the man in the mist: with the life and death of Tobacco. Dedicated to those three renowned and imparallel'd Heroes, Captaine Whiffe, Captaine Pipe and Captaine Snuffe... Divided into three Sections.
 - I. The Birth of Tobacco.
 - 2. Pluto's blessing to Tobacco.
 - 3. Times complaint against Tobacco.

OENOZYTHOPOLIS. At the Signe of Teare-Nose. CIDIOCXVII.

Prefixed is another engraved title from the masterly burin of Marshall. There is a poem at the end of this volume entitled "Chavcers incensed Ghost," in which allusion is made to

^{*}This was afterwards used as a frontispiece to the Antidote against Melancholy, 1661, and a facsimile of it is given in Ebsworth's Reprint of Choice Drollery, 1876.

some Comments "shortly to bee published" on "The Miller's Tale" and the "Wife of Bath"; but which BRATHWAITE does not seem actually to have published until nearly half a century later.*

At the end of Patrick Hannay's poem of A Happy Husband (1619) appeared the following piece by BRATHWAITE:

9. The Description of a good Wife: or, a rare one amongst Women. Together with an Exquisite discourse of Epitaphs, including the choysest thereof Ancient or Moderne. By R. B. Gent. Printed at London for Richard Redmer, and are to be sold at his shop at the West end of Saint Pauls Church. 1619. 12mo.

The Essay on Epitaphs, in which he anticipated by nearly two centuries his fellow countryman and poet of the Lake District, William Wordsworth, bears a separate title, with BRATHWAITE'S full name, and an imprint of the previous year—"By Richard Brathvvayte Gent. Imprinted at London by John Beale. 1618." Among the obituary verses is "a funerall Ode" in memory of his elder brother, Thomas Brathwaite.

His next publication was:-

10. A new Spring shadovved in sundry Pithie Poems. London, Printed by G. Eld, for Thomas Baylie, and are to be sold at his Shop in the middle-row in Holborne, neere Staple-

^{*} In 1665. Vide infrà.

Inne, 1619, 4to (containing E in fours, last leaf blank).

There is a curious woodcut on the title, representing a Well enclosed within spikes, and various persons, male and female, filling their pitchers from it. Besides some spirited and harmonious lines entitled "Bound yet Free," the collection has several small Poems, some serious, some jocose. Haslewood considered it "on the whole, a curious and entertaining tract."

In 1620 appeared:

11. Essaies upon the Five Senses, with a pithie one upon Detraction. . . By Rich. Brathwayt Esquire. London, Printed by E. G. for Richard Whittaker, and are to be sold at his shop at the Kings head in Paules Church-yard. 1620. 12mo. 76 leaves.

At the end of this volume is the character of "a Shrow," which is omitted in the Second Edition, "revised and enlarged by the author," published in 1635.

12. The Shepheards Tales. London, Printed for Richard Whitaker, 1621. 8vo, 25 leaves.

This was separately and subsequently published, and is very rarely found bound up with the work of which a facsimile reprint is now offered to the reader, and in which a continuation of *The Shepheard's Tales* appeared, viz.

13. (a) Natures Embassie: or, the Wildemans Measures: Danced naked by twelve

Satyres, with sundry others continued in the next Section.

Wilde men may dance wise measures; Come then ho, Though I be wilde, my measures are not so.

- (b) The Second Section of Divine and Morall Satyres: With an Adivnct vpon the precedent; whereby the Argument with the first cause of publishing these Satyres, be euidently related.
 - (c) The Shepheards Tales.*
- (d) Omphale, or, the Inconstant Shephear-desse.
- (e) His Odes: or Philomels Teares.

 These all bear the same imprint, "London, Printed for Richard Whitaker. 1621."

The Satires are divided into two sections, the first containing twelve and the other eighteen, levelled against the common vices of society, with illustrative examples from ancient history. In the first satire on Degeneration as personated in Nature, the following stanza must clearly allude to one of the writings of his contemporary, George Wither:—

But I will answer thee for all thy beautie: If thou wilt be an Ape in gay attire, Thou doest not execute that forme of dutie, Which Nature at thy hand seemes to require: Which not redrest, for all thy goodly port, Thou must be stript, and whipt, and chastisd for't.

* He alludes in the Dedication to "a former part as yet obscured." See ART. 12.

The "Sir T. H. the Elder, Kt.," to whom Natures Embassie is dedicated, Sir Egerton Brydges* conjectures to be Sir Thomas Hawkins, of Nash Court near Faversham in Kent, the translator of Horace, or his father.

The 12th & 13th Articles, i. e. Natures Embassie with the addition of the separately printed first part of The Shepheards Tales, were reissued together in 1623 with a new title-page running as follows:

Shepheards Tales, containing Satyres, Eglogues, and Odes. By R. B. Esquire. London, Printed for Richard Whitaker. 1623.

The four other title-pages in the course of the volume remain unaltered and severally bear the date of 1621 as before. Shepheards Tales, however, appears to have been considered by the stationer a more taking title than Natures Embassie to work off the copies still remaining on his hands two years after the original publication of that volume. Payne Collier considers that "the volume displays much talent and possesses much variety," and he selects for special commendation, as a most lively and attractive performance," the Shepheards Holy-day, reduced in apt measures to Hobbinolls Galliard, or John to the May-pole. The opening of this Musical Dialogue is very spirited, and proceeds through many stanzas,

^{*} Archaica, Part vi. (Lond. 1815, 4^{to}.) p. xvii. of Preface to the reprint of Brathwaite's Essays upon the Five Senses.

all very animated, and pleasantly descriptive of country-life. In one of her replies the Shepherdess is rather bold in her invitation, and free in her talk. The book, and especially this part of it, contains many allusions to May-games and other country sports, and to ancient customs, proverbs, &c., and is therefore important to students, as throwing some light on the England of Shakespeare's time.

A song in the Third Eglogue of the second part of *The Shepheards Tales* is characteristic of that period, and preserves the names of several tunes or ditties now obsolete.

Roundelayes,
Irish-hayes,
Cogs and rongs and Peggie Ramsie,
Spaniletto,
The Venetto,
Iohn come kisse me, Wilsons fancie.*

The Odes (e) were reprinted in 1815, with modernized spelling, at the Lee Priory Press, by Sir Egerton Brydges.† As the impression, however, was limited to eighty copies, this cannot be said to have hitherto much affected the rarity of the original. In a short preface the accomplished Editor asserts that all BRATHWAITE'S poetical productions having

^{*} Page 259 of the present volume.

[†] Brathwayte's Odes; or Philomel's Tears. Edited by Sir Egerton Brydges, Bart. Kent: Printed at the private press of Lee Priory; by Johnson and Warwick, 1815, pp. xii. 36.

become very rare, this short specimen of his genius was selected for revival. "And if the Editor's taste," he adds, "be correct, it will prove him not to have been without merit, either for fancy, sentiment, or expression. Readers of narrow curiosity may think such revivals of forgotten poetry useless; and the superficial may deem them dull: the highly cultivated and candid mind will judge of them far otherwise!"

Passing now from the work which the reader holds in his hands, the next publication of BRATHWAITE'S we have to notice is

14. Times Cvrtaine Dravvne, or The Anatomie of Vanitie. With other choice Poems, Entituled; Health from Helicon. By Richard Brathvvayte Oxonian. London Printed by Iohn Dawson for Iohn Bellamie, and are to be sould at the south entrance of the Royall-Exchange. 1621, 8vo, 100 leaves.

The collection entitled "Health from Helicon," which forms the second section of this volume, has a separate title, with the same imprint, running as follows:—

Panedone: or Health from Helicon: containing Emblemes, Epigrams, Elegies, with other continuate Poems, full of all generous delight; by Richard Brathvvayte, Esquire.

Two hitherto undiscovered works of BRATH-WAITE, alluded to in his other writings, claim to be briefly mentioned here. In his *Survey*

of History, 1638, speaking of the Earl of Southampton, he says "A Funerall Elegy to his precious memory was long since extant; being annexed to my Britains Bath, Anno 1625."

In his English Gentleman (Art. 15), p. 198, he says, "What more admirable than the pleasure of the Hare, if wee observe the uses which may bee made of it, as I have elsewhere (in a Treatise entituled The Huntsmans Raunge,) more amplie discoursed?"

In 1630 BRATHWAITE published:

15. The English Gentleman; Containing Sundry excellent Rules or exquisite Observations, tending to direction of every Gentleman, of selecter ranke and qualitie; How to demeane or accomodate himselfe in the manage of publike or private affaires. By Richard Brathwait Esq. London, Printed by Iohn Haviland, and are to be sold by Robert Bostock at his shop at the signe of the Kings head in Pauls Church-yard. 1630, 4to. pp. 487.*

A brief analysis of the contents of this volume, for the purpose of detecting imperfect copies, may not be unacceptable. In conjunction with the "Compleat Gentlewoman," which forms a second part, no work of that age can have been more uniformly read or more highly appreciated. On opening the

^{*} A second edition of The English Gentleman appeared in 1633.

volume it exhibits a glowing specimen of the burin of Robert Vaughan, in ten compartments, for the frontispiece, with a folding broadside prefixed as an explanatory draught of it. The printer's title is followed by nine leaves of Dedication, copious tables, and other matter. After p. 456 is a sheet without pagination, under signature Nnn. The first two leaves have "The Character of a Gentleman," another has an "Embleme," recto, and reverse "Upon the Errata," and fourth leaf blank. Then follows a new title:—

Three Choice characters of Marriage, fitly sorting with the proprietie and varietie of the former Subject: Having especiall relation to one peculiar Branch shadowed in the Sixt Observation.

These characters complete the volume with p. 487.

A sort of sequel or complement to the above work is another published in the following year, and entitled—

16. The English Gentlewoman, drawne out to the full Body: Expressing

What Habilliments doe best attire her, What Ornaments doe best adorne her, What Complements doe best accomplish her.

By Richard Brathwait Esq. . . . London, Printed by B. Alsop and T. Favvcet, for Michaell Sparke, dwelling in Greene Arbor. 1631, 4to, pp. 221. The Frontispiece in compartments, intended as a companion to the one before the *English Gentleman*, is engraved by W. Marshall, and has a folding broadside prefixed explanatory of the subjects. After the printer's title twenty-two leaves of Dedications, and a table. After p. 221 is the character of "A Gentlewoman," four leaves, not paged, the "Embleme" and "Upon the Errata" two more. Some copies have an "Appendix upon a former supposed Impression of this title," consisting of five leaves, with signature in continuation, but not paged.

In the same year appeared

17. Whimzies: Or, a new Cast of Characters. London, Printed by F. K. and are to be sold by Ambrose Rithirdon, at the signe of the Bull'shead, in Paul's Church-yard. 1631. 12mo, 117 leaves.

Notices of this little volume will be found in Dr. Bliss's edition of Earle's Microcosmography,* and in Sir Egerton Brydges' Restituta;† but neither of these celebrated antiquaries and bibliographers seems to have been aware of its authorship. If the presence of the usual irrepressible note "Vpon the Errata's" did not alone suffice to authenticate it, some verses, at the end of the volume already quoted,

^{*} Lond. 1811, p. 282.

[†] Vol. iv. p. 279. This notice was written however by Thomas Park.

'Upon the Birth-day of his sonne John,' certainly would.

The last 24 leaves of this book have a new title,—thus:

A Cater Character throwne out of a Boxe by an Experienc'd Gamester. London, Imprinted by F. K. and are to be sold by R. B. 1631. 24 leaves.

In both sections of the book BRATHWAITE assumes the name of "Clitus Alexandrinus," and both are dedicated to Sir Alexander Radcliffe.

On 7th March, 1633, after a married life of nearly sixteen years, BRATHWAITE had the misfortune to lose his wife, whom it seems he tenderly loved, and whose death he piously and sincerely mourned. In veneration of her memory, and as a public acknowledgment of her worth and virtues, he published for several years verses as the Anniversaries upon his Panarete; and when reprinting the Essays on the Five Senses in 1635 he availed himself of the occasion to deliver a moral admonition to their youthfull offspring by introducing therein "Love's Legacy, or Panarete's blessing to her children," which is framed as if delivered in her very last moments, forbearing to speak of marriage as a matter beyond the apprehension of their tender years.

The first of these elegiac tributes appeared in the year following his wife's death, and is entitled:—

18. Anniversaries upon his Panarete. . . . London, Imprinted by Felix Kyngston, and are to be sold by Robert Bostock, at the Kings Head in Pauls Church-yard. 1634. 8vo, (containing 24 leaves not numbered—signature A, B, C.)

"To the indeered memory," the text begins, "of his ever loved, never too much lamented Panarete, Mris Frances Brathwait," and he celebrates with much earnestness and eloquence her virtues, her person and her birth.

In 1635 Brathwaite published

19. Raglands Niobe: or Elizas Elegie: Addressed to the unexpiring memory of the most noble Lady, Elizabeth Herbert, wife to the truly honourable Edward Somerset Lord Herbert, &c. By Ri. Brathwait, Esq. 12mo, 14 leaves.

The imprint is substantially the same as that of the last article. At the end was appended a continuation of the *Anniversaries* upon his Panarete.

In the same year appeared

20. The Arcadian Princesse; or the Triumph of Ivstice: Prescribing excellent rules of Physicke, for a sicke Iustice. Digested into fowre Bookes, and faithfully rendred to the originall Italian Copy,* By Ri. Brathwait Esq. London, Printed by Th. Harper for Robert Bostocke. 1635. 12mo.

Prefixed is an engraved title, by W. Marshall, of the figure of "The Arcadian Prin-

^{*} By Mariano Silesio.

cesse" seated on a throne holding the scales of Justice, wherein an old man labelled "forma pauperis" weighs down another well clothed, labelled "Ira potentis." Other sentences appear in several labels, and on the foot of the throne "by Ric. Brathwait Armig." Dibdin bestows high praise in his Bibliomania* on the poetical portion of this volume. "Whoever does not see," he says, "in these specimens, some of the most powerful rhyming couplets of the early half of the seventeenth century, if not the model of some of the verses in Dryden's satirical pieces, has read both poets with ears differently constructed from those of the author of this book."

21. The Lives of all the Roman Emperors, being exactly collected from Iulius Cæsar, unto the now reigning Ferdinand the second. With their births, Governments, remarkable Actions, and Deaths. London: Printed by N. and J. Okes, and are to be sold within Turning-stile in Holborne. 1636. 12mo. pp. 384.

An engraved title, by W. Marshall, gives several medallions of the Roman Emperors, and a small one of the author, of nearly similar representation with that prefixed to the Paraphrase of the Psalms.

22. A Spiritual Spicerie: Containing Sundrie sweet Tractates of Devotion and Piety. By Ri. Brathwait, Esq. London, Printed by I. H.

^{*} Lond. 1811, pp. 395-7.

for George Hutton at his shop within Turning stile in Holborne. 1638. 12mo. 247 leaves.

The section of this volume entitled "Holy Memorials" contains some interesting autobiographical details, from which we have already quoted, respecting the author's early life.

23. The Psalmes of David the King and Prophet, and of other holy Prophets, paraphras'd in English: Conferred with the Hebrew Veritie, set forth by B. Arias Montanus, together with the Latine, Greek Septuagint, and Chaldee Paraphrase. By R. B. London, Printed by Robert Young, for Francis Constable, and are to be sold at his shop under S. Martins Church neere Ludgate. 1638. 12mo. pp. 300.

This little volume has an engraved title by Marshall, representing in three-quarter figures (miniature ovals), Moses, David, Asaph, Heman, and Æthan. Various instruments of music, as improving psalmody, are hung against a pedestal upon each side of the title, which is given in an oval tablet as "by R. B. Esq." Beneath the title, in another small oval, is a portrait of BRATHWAITE, subscribed Quanquam ô. It has been contended that this version of the Psalms has been wrongly attributed to BRATHWAITE, and that the initials "R. B." belong to some other writer of the time. But collateral evidence is not wanting. the portrait, which, though it represents him with the gravity of advanced years, still bears

a resemblance easily traceable to the more youthful likeness, has been already mentioned; there is the further evidence of the use of the digit or index (at p. 284) used also in *The Survey of History* and in *Barnabee's Journey*; and of the never-failing Apology for the Errata, found in all BRATHWAITE'S books.

After remaining a widower for six years BRATHWAITE married again in 1639, taking for his second wife Mary, daughter of Roger Crofts, of Kirtlington, in Yorkshire; who was well jointured, being seised in her own right of the valuable manor of Catterick. He describes her in *Panaretes Triumph* as a widow and a native of Scotland. Their issue was one son—the gallant Stafford Brathwaite, who was afterwards knighted, and killed in the ship "Mary," under the command of Sir Roger Strickland, during an engagement with the "Tyger" Algerine man of war.

Some time after his second marriage he quitted Burneshead, probably to occupy the Manor house at Catterick. The fevered state of the times might partly cause him to quit the old family residence. BRATHWAITE was "a subject sworn to loyalty" and not likely at that period to escape the common wrack of power. Lavish hospitality in support of the Royal cause on the one hand, and contributions imperiously demanded and violently enforced in the name of either the Parliament or the

Army upon the other, would serve equally to impoverish his hereditary property, and to make a removal to the newly-acquired estate at Appleton a matter of convenience to prevent shading family honours. His possession of the Manor is confirmed by several documents, and it is probable that with the family of Crofts he had been, long before his second marriage, in close or neighbourly intimacy.

We continue our list of BRATHWAITE'S publications.

24. Ar't asleepe Husband? A Boulster Lecture; stored with all variety of witty jeasts, merry Tales, and other pleasant passages; Extracted from the choicest flowers of Philosophy, Poesv, antient and moderne History. Illustrated with Examples of incomparable constancy, in the excellent History of Philocles and Doriclea. By Philogenes Panedonius.* London, Printed by R. Bishop for R. B. or his Assignes. 1640. 8vo. pp. 330.

A frontispiece engraved by Marshall represents a man and wife in bed, the female—a Mrs. Caudle of the seventeenth century—delivering her admonitions to a deaf ear. To the strong internal evidence of this work being the production of BRATHWAITE may be added as two convincing and independent proofs forming an absolute confirmation of his title, I. A

^{*} The second section of his Times Curtaine Drawne, 1621, had been entitled "Panedone: or Health from Helicon."

reference which occurs at p. 201 to one of his acknowledged pieces, the Comment upon the Wife of Bath; and 2. the introduction into the present volume of two or three pieces of poetry that first appeared in the *Strappado*.

25. The Two Lancashire Lovers: or the Excellent History of Philocles and Doriclea. Expressing the faithfull constancy and mutuall fidelity of two loyall Lovers... By Musæus Palatinus... London, Printed by Edward Griffin, for R. B. or his Assignes. 1640. 8vo. pp. 268.

There is an engraved title, and at p. 247, a second embellishment, which is found also in some copies of the *Boulster Lecture*.

In 1641 appeared a new edition of BRATH-WAITE'S English Gentleman and English Gentlewoman, in one volume, folio, with the addition of a piece entitled The Tyrtles Tri-In an engraved title there is an interumph. esting display of the principal subjects discussed in the two works, after the manner, but not precisely copied from the titles to the earlier editions. The figures are nearly all changed. the mottoes omitted, and much of the garniture Whether this deviation from the original designs obtained the sanction of the author seems doubtful, unless he was too indolent to revise the broadside containing an explanation of the frontispiece, as the two sheets of the first edition are here printed together without alteration.

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Haslewood attributes the following work to BRATHWAITE on account of "the mannerism of style, which his many unacknowledged publications now compel us to confidently rely upon:"—

26. The Penitent Pilgrim. London, Printed by Iohn Dawson, and are to be sold by Iohn Williams at the signe of the Crane in Pauls Church-yard. 1641. 12mo. pp. 445.

It has an engraved frontispiece, by our author's usual artist, W. Marshall, of an aged man journeying barefoot with bottle and staff, scallop shell in his hat, his loins girded, and beneath his feet the legend: "Few and evill have the dayes of my life been." On the last leaf a quaint couplet occurs before the

Errata.

"No place but is of Errors rife In labours, lectures, leafes, lines, life."

27. Mercurius Britannicus. Tragi-Comoedia Lutetiæ, summo cum applausu publicè acta. 15 leaves. 4to. (no place or date.)

Mercurius Britanicus, or The English Intelligencer A Tragic-Comedy, At Paris acted with great applause. Printed in the yeare 1641. 17 leaves. 4to.

This was a political squib; and considering the ready pen of BRATHWAITE, and his unceasing desire to attain popularity, we may conclude it was not the only time-serving piece he put forth at that eventful period. It is interesting also as an earlier exhibition than *Barnabee's Journal* of his facile skill in using the Latin tongue.

28. Astræa's Teares. An Elegie Vpon the death of that Reverend, Learned and Honest Judge, Sir Richard Hutton Knight; Lately one of his Majesties Iustices in his Highnesse Court of Common Plees at Westminster. London, Printed by T. H. for Philip Nevil, and are to be sold at his Shop in Ivie Lane, at the signe of the Gun. 1641. 12mo. sig. H. 2. (55 leaves).

A frontispiece, with all the strength and spirit of Marshall, contains a whole length figure of the Judge in his robes, in a reclining posture. It is an excellent portrait, and of the greatest rarity, not being noticed by Grainger. As early as 1614 our author dedicated *The Prodigals Teares* to Richard Hutton, Sergeant at Law, and *The Shepheards Tales* in the present volume were inscribed seven years later "To my worthie and affectionate kinsman Richard Hutton, Esquire, Sonne and Heire to the much honoured and sincere dispenser of judgement, Sir Richard Hutton, Sergeant at Law, and one of the Iudges of the Common Pleas."

Sir Richard Hutton died February 26, 1638, so that this Elegy did not appear until three years after that event. In a marginal note in this volume there is a reference to the 5th Anniversary upon his *Panarete*, and he there-

fore seems to have continued these yearly celebrations of his first wife (to have written, at any rate, if not to have published them) at least until the year of his second marriage.

29. Panaretes Trivmph; or Hymens heavenly Hymne. London, Printed by T. H. for Philip Nevil, and are to be sold at his Shop in Ivie Lane, at the signe of the Gun. 1641.

The poem begins at the back of the title:

"Remove that funerall-pile; now six whole yeares Have beene the nursing mothers of my teares."

He then describes the necessity of foregoing funeral tears during another nuptial, and they are to be preserved for those who cannot weep; as "spritely blades—some widows—profuse gallants," whose necessity in that respect is interestingly described. His moral reflections conclude as the bell tinketh: he married a second time a lady of Scottish extraction, which occasions his introducing "Calliopees expostulation with the Calidonian Nation." A "courteous Curtain Lecture" is also delivered by his wife and a florid description is given of her person and manners.

We now come to the famous volume of doggerel rhymes by which BRATHWAITE is chiefly remembered outside the narrow circle of scholars and students. Though as voluminous a writer both in prose and verse as his contemporary Wither, by this one work, or

rather happy jeu d'esprit, he is now chiefly known to the general world of English readers. This unique and curious publication is written both in Latin and English, the double title being as follows:—

- 30. (a) Barnabæ Itinerarium, Mirtili & Faustuli nominibus insignitum: Viatoris Solatio nuperrimè editum, aptissimis numeris redactum, veterique Tono Barnabæ publicè decantatum. Authore Corymbæo.
- (b) Barnabees Journall, Under the Names of Mirtilus & Faustulus shadowed: for the Travellers Solace lately published, to most apt numbers reduced and to the old Tune of Barnabe commonly chanted. By Corymbæus.

The date of the original edition has never been precisely ascertained, but is supposed to be about 1648-1650. The authorship of this anonymous book, after long remaining unknown, was settled upon BRATHWAITE by Haslewood by means of a chain of laborious and irrefragable evidence, both external and internal. The internal evidence is alone conclusive; such as the reappearance in Barnabees Journal of stories told in BRATHWAITE'S other. works; thus the story of hanging the cat at Banbury had originally appeared in a short poem in the Strappado, p. 109. The story of Grantam (Grantham) spire is introduced in the Arcadian Princess, with the name of "Grantam" transposed into Margant. There

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are allusions also which are evidently autobiographical, such as those to Kendal and to Nesham, where BRATHWAITE wooed and won his first wife. In describing Lancaster he alludes to John a Gaunt, and he does the same at the opening of his *Two Lancashire Lovers*, 1640. Other similarities of versification mottoes, proverbs, Apology for Errata, &c., complete the internal evidence.

"It was reserved," says Southey, "for famous Barnaby to employ the barbarous ornament of rhyme so as to give thereby point and character to good Latinity."*

We know from his other writings that BRATHWAITE was an excellent Latin scholar. The external evidence of BRATHWAITE'S authorship is threefold. I. Thomas Hearne the antiquary says in a manuscript note: "The book called Barnabas's Rambles, printed in Latin and English, was written by RICHARD BRATHWAITE, who writ and translated a vast number of things besides, he being the scribler of the times. Anthony-à-Wood does not mention this amongst his works. But Mr. Bagford tells me that Mr. Chr. Bateman (an eminent Bookseller in Pater Noster Row) who was well acquainted with some of the family. hath several times told him that BRATHWAITE was the author of it."+

^{*} Quarterly Review, No. xxxv. p. 32.

[†] Hearne's MS. Collections for the year 1713, vol. xlvii. p. 127.

- 2. In a copy of the second edition, 1716, that belonged to Edward Wilson, Esq., of Dallam Tower in Westmoreland (a descendant on the maternal side of the elder branch of the Brathwaites), was written the following note: —" The Author I knew was an old Poet RICH. BRATHWAITE. Father to Sir Thomas of Burnside-Hall, near Kendall in Westmorland."
- 3. There was sold by Messrs. Leigh and Sotheby at the sale of the Library of John Woodhouse, Esq., 12th Dec., 1803 (lot 24) a copy of the original edition of Barnabee's Journal, with a poem in manuscript copied on the fly-leaves undoubtedly by BRATHWAITE, entitled: "Rustica Academiæ Oxoniensis nuper reformatæ Descriptio, &c. CLODCXLVIII."

Here is a weight of cumulative evidence that is irresistible.

It is evident, however, that though the Journal was probably not published until about the middle of the century, the earlier portions of it at least had been written many years previously. "Many circumstances," says Haslewood, "unite to confirm the belief that the Itinerary was the lapped and cradled bantling of years, scarcely in the author's own opinion pubescent, until himself might be believed past the age of such waggery. It may. be characterized as a seedling planted in the spring of youth; nourished and pruned in the summer of his days; courted to blossom

amid evergreens that circled his autumnal brow, and which formed the wreath of fame that adorned and cheered the winter of his age, and remains unfaded."

The next work on our list is

31. A Muster Roll of the evill Angels embatteld against S. Michael. Being a Collection, according to the order of time, (throughout all the Centuries) of the chiefe of the Ancient Heretikes, with their Tenets, such as were condemned by Generall Councels. Faithfully collected out of the most Authentike Authors. By R. B. Gent. London, Printed for William Sheers, and are to be sold at his shop in S. Pauls Church yard at the sign of the Bible. 1655. 24mo. pp. 94.

Then follows:

32. Lignum Vitæ. Libellus in quatuor partes distinctus: et ad utilitatem cujusque Animæ in altiorem vitæperfectionem suspirantis, Nuperrimè Editus. Authore Richardo Brathwait Armigero; Memoratissimæ matris, florentissimæ Academiæ Oxoniensis Humillimo Alumno. Londini, Excudebat Joh. Grismond. MDCLVIII. 12mo. pp. 579.

This volume has an engraved title by Vaughan, crowded as usual with Latin sentences applicable to the figure and design. It is divided into three parts, and at the end of the second is a piece of Latin poetry of forty stanzas that corroborates the appropriation already made of Barnabee's Journal.

33. The Honest Ghost, or A Voice from the Vault. London, Printed by Ric. Hodgkinsonne. 1658. 8vo. 169 leaves.

The book consists of two subjects and is distinguished by these two titles, I. The Honest Ghost. 2. An Age for Apes. Each of these has a frontispiece by Vaughan; the latter begins at page 115. There are some Latin rhyming couplets at p. 319, exactly in the style and metre of the Itinerary:

"Neque dives, nec egenus, Neque satur, neque plenus; Nec agrestis, nec amœnus, Nec sylvestris, nec serenus; Palmis nec mulcendus pænis At in omni sorte lenis."

At the Restoration of Charles the Second, BRATHWAITE, who had always been loyal to the King's cause, published some gratulatory verses:

34. To his Majesty upon his happy arrivall in our late discomposed Albion. By R. Brathwait, Esq. London, Printed for Henry Brome, at the Gun in Ivie-lane, 1660. 4to. 8 leaves.

In this poem he declares himself to have been a resolute sufferer for both sovereign and country, and depicts the very impaired state of his fortune.

35. The Captive-Captain: or the Restrain'd Cavalier. Drawn to his full Bodie in Eight

Characters. Lond. Printed by J. Grismond, 1665. 8vo. 98 leaves.

36. Tragi-Comoedia, Cui in titulum inscribitur Regicidium, Perspicacissimis Judiciis acuratius perspecta, pensata, comprobata; Authore Ri. Brathwait, Armigero, utriusque Academiæ Alumno. Londini, Typis F. G. & prostat venalis in officinà Theodori Sadleri, in Strandensi &c. 1665. 8vo. pp. 192.

Last, but not least, among the publications of BRATHWAITE comes his Commentary on Chaucer, planned and probably written many years before.

37. A Comment upon the Two Tales of our Ancient, Renowned, and Ever Living Poet S' Jeffray Chavcer, Knight.... The Millers Tale and The Wife of Bath. Addressed and published by Special Authority. London, Printed by W. Godbid, and are to be sold by Robert Clavell at the Stags-Head in Ivylane, 1665. 8vo. pp. 199.

In perusing the foregoing voluminous list of works the reader will not fail to be struck by the strange alternation they exhibit of buffoonery and jesting, and of piety and sanctity. That the same author should have successively written books so dissimilar in character would seem almost incredible to any one unacquainted with the fashions and temper of that age, and with the numerous other and more illustrious instances of the same

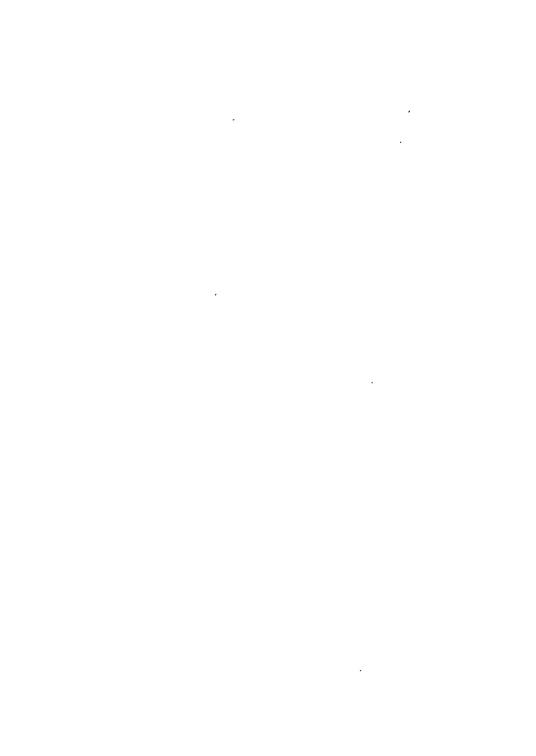
curious medley or conglomeration. In some of his earlier plays—in the Blind Beggar of Alexandria, A Humorous Day's Mirth, Monsieur d'Olive, The Widow's Tears, might we not equally say that we fail to recognise the grave translator of Homer, and the Christian pietist who paraphrased Petrarch's Penitential Psalms? If the sins of his youth are forgiven to George Chapman let them not be too heavily remembered against the less famous RICHARD BRATHWAITE.

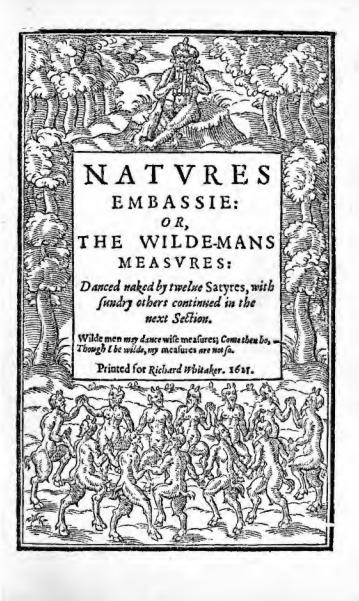
BRATHWAITE "left behind him," says Wood, "the character of a well-bred gentleman and good neighbour," and to this might be added, of a Christian and upright man. A description of his person has descended orally, by which the trim fashion of his green years added comeliness to his gray hairs. Tradition reports him to have been in person below the common stature; well-proportioned, and one of the handsomest men of his day; remarkable for ready wit and humour; charitable to the poor in the extreme, so much so as to have involved himself in difficulties. He commonly wore a light grey coat, red waistcoat and leather breeches. His hat was a high-crowned one, and beyond what was common in those days when such hats were worn. His equals in life bestowed on him the name of 'Dapper Dick.' In disposition he was as admirable as in person; and he always took a conspicuous part in his

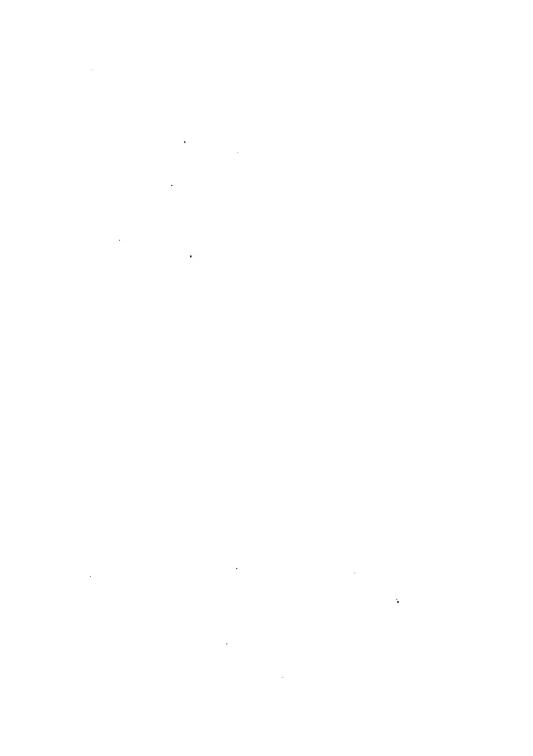
neighbourhood in promoting the festivities of Christmas; so that in those good old times he was long the darling and favourite of that side of the country.

The death of RICHARD BRATHWAITE took place at East Appleton, a small township of and adjoining to Catterick, on 4th May, 1673, in the eighty-sixth year of his age. He was buried in the parish church of Catterick, where a monument was erected to his memory on the north side of the chancel.

The present is a literal Reprint; all the peculiarities of spelling being carefully preserved; even the innumerable blunders in the Latin and Greek marginal notes have been exactly reproduced, although, from the blurred and indistinct manner in which many of them are printed, it has been almost impossible sometimes to decipher them.









TO THE ACCOM-

PLISHED MIRROR OF TRVE

worth, S. T. H. the elder, knight, professed fauorer and furtherer of all free-

borne studies: continuance of all happinesse.



Hen the natures of men are cleere peruerted, then it is high time for the Satyrist to pen somthing which may divert them from their impietie, and direct

them in the course and progresse of Vertue; vppon which consideration, I, (as the meanest Menalchas that is able to play vpon an oaten pipe)
began presently to describe the nature of Men,
made so farre good by observation, as my weake
and immature indgement could attaine vnto;
meaning to make the Poets verse an Axiome:
Scribimus indocti, doctiq; poemata passim.
This thus discussed and weyed, I was long in
doubt to whom I should dedicate this vnfruitfull vintage, rather gleanings, or who I should
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The Epistle

flie vnto for sanctuarie, if the finister Reader (as who ever wrote without his Detractour) should carpe at my labours. Wherefore standing longer in suspence then the matter required, I picked forth your selfe, most able to weave an Apologie for your friends defects. Let not therefore the maleuolent censures of such men whose chiefest eye-sores be other mens workes, and whose choisest content is to blemish them with imperfections, receive the least countenance from you, whose iudgement by giving these my labours approbation, shal be a greater argument of their merit, then their partiall censures shall argue their want. Hiparchion was graced as well as Musæus, though the best of his measures was but piping to the Muses. For the paines of well-affected Authors neuer faile of patrons (at least amongst ingenuous men) to protect the. of fauorites to second them, or guardians during their minoritie to foster them. And such is your integritie and true love to learning, that the meanest sheepheard if he flie for refuge vnder your shelter, shall be accepted aboue the meafure of his deserts, or meanes of his hopes. without question, if your acceptance did not far exceed the height and weight of my Discourse. Quid hic nisi vota supersunt? there would nothing remaine for me, but to fall to my prayers,

Dedicatorie.

in befeeching the kind & vnkind Reader (like our penurious pamphlet Orator) to commiserate my Treatise, and in slead of a narration, to make a publike supplication: but being protected by the singular care and providing eye of your favours;

—Maior sum quam cui potuit fortuna nocere.

I have penned this short Discourse, interwouen with history as well as poesse, for two things summarily, and especially for the first thereof. The first is the iniquitie of this present time wherein we live: so that Nature had either time now to send an Ambassage or never: since

* Mulier formofa fuperne

* Atq; homines prodigia rerum maxima.

definit in piscem— Such is the course of degenerate Nature, that in a conceipt of her selfe she thinks she can mend her selfe by being adorned with unnaturalized ornaments, which Nature neuer apparelled The second reason is the motion of a private friend of mine, whose pleasure may command my whole meanes, yea my selfe to the vttermost of my abilitie. These reasons have I alledged, lest my Preface should seeme naked of Reason, which were ridiculous to the reasonable Reader, and to you especially, whose maturitie in arguments of this Qualitie, hath gained you a deserved Opinion, enabled by Iudgement, of power to countervaile the censures of others lesse iudicious.

The Epistle Dedicatorie.

iudicious. Thus tendring you the fruites of my Reading compiled, and in manner digested, not out of selfe-conceit, but aime to publique good intended, I rest. From my studie. May 24.

Yours to dispose

Richard Brathwayt.



The distinct subject of every Satyre, contained in either Section: with an exact survey or display of all such Poems, as are couched or compiled within this Booke.

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The first Argument.



Ature the common mother (to vse an Ethnicke induction) breedeth divers effects, according to the constitution of each particular bodie, being composed and compacted of that Matter wher-

to we shall returne, being Earth. Now though Nature (as with the Morall Philosopher I may fay) neuer is deceived, as she is considered in her owne frame, bringing forth alwayes men able to the performing of humane functions, faire in proportion and state of their bodies, apt for the atchiuing of anie matter either publike or priuate: yet notwithstanding, manie times by euents and accidents, divers deformities & blemishes appeare, which by Nature were not decreed to be: and like are the maleuolent affections arising from the distempered qualitie of the minde. And whereas many in the corruption of their erring opinions and reasonlesse arguments, have auerred how Nature is the primarie mouer, conferuer and preferuer, yet Seneca will tell you, that it is God that worketh these things which we ascribe to a fained Deitie; and that Nature differeth no more from God Lucil. ad or God from Nature, then Annæus from *Seneca:

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Vide Episto A-

lexand. de fitu & ftatu Indiæ.

Zenophanes.

as he speaketh in his naturall Questions, and in his bookes of Benefiting. But this was the opinion of fuch as had not the supreme light of deuine knowledge to them reuealed, but fuch as worshipped whatsoeuer they thought was a guider or director of them, or by custome (how ridiculous foeuer) was traduced to them. So we may reade in the ancient historians, of the Egyptians who adored whatfoeuer they thought comely, as the Sunne, the Moone, the starres and inferiour lights. Others worshipped trees, stockes, stones, and venimous ferpents. Thus did the brutish affections of vnnaturall men shew their Gods by deciphering an heauenly power or influence, in Branches and fuch workes of Nature. But thefe though in no wife excufable, may admit fome reasonable defence, forasmuch as their conceipt could reach no further. For as Zenophanes faith, If beafts could paint, they would pourtray God to their owne shape and feature, because they could conceive no further. And this is the cause why the Heathen adored their plants, starres, and such creatures, inasmuch as they could not reach nor attaine to the knowledge of an higher Deitie. But to conferre them, that is, the Heathen and prophane people with the now-being Christians, it will feeme wonderfull, if I make manifest by relation had to their liues, how the depraued conditions of our Christians now adayes (whose knowledge giues them assurance of Eternitie) walke in as great blindnesse and palpable darknes as euer the Heathen did. And fince the matter is most apparent,

The occasion of this Treatise.

high time it is for Nature to fend her Embaffie to this Age for her Reformation.

THE FIRST SATYRE.



Hou wicked lumpe in a deformed guife,
Tripping like Hymen on his wedding day,
Nature thy former Infolence defies,
Saying thou errest from her natiue way:

For all thy foolish wayes are baits to *sin, Where vertue droupes, and vice comes dancing in.

Doth not thy habite shew thy wanton mind, Forward to all things but to vertuous life: Passing those bounds which Nature hath assign'd, Twixt Art and Nature by commencing strife? I tell thee, Nature sends me to represse Thy soolish toyes, thy inbred wantonnesse.

* Prima est quafi tittillato delectationis in corde, secunda consensio, tertium factum est consuetuda. Aug. Serm. 44.

But thou wilt fay, Nature hath made me faire, Should I rob Beautie of her proper due? Should I not decke her with * embroidred haire, And garnish her with Flora's vernant hue? I must, I will, or else should I disgrace With a rent maske the beautie of my face.

* Venustas tribuitur à natura, corrumpitur ab arte.

But I will answer thee for all thy beautie:
If thou wilt be an Ape in gay * attire,
Thou doest not execute that forme of dutie,
Which Nature at thy hand seems to require:
Which not redrest, for all thy goodly port,
Thou must be stript, and whipt, and chastist for't.

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Nature

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* Sequitur fuperbos vltor à tergo Deus. Nature hath fent me to forewarne thy wo, Left thou fecure of thy distresse, reioyce: If thou wax * proud, then where so ere thou go Thou shalt decline: this resteth in thy choice, Whether to die branded by Infamie, Or to preserve thy life in memorie.

This thus observed, wilt thou yet be proud? And grow ambitious, bearing in thy brow The stampe of honour, as if thou hadst vow'd No grace on thy inferiours to bestow? Proud minikin let fall thy plumes, and crie Nature, I honour will thy Embassie.

* Pastinatio deuinum opus. Hesiod. It was a good time when Eue foun her threed, And Adam * digg'd to earne his food thereby: But in this time Eues do their panches feed, With daintie dishes mouing luxurie. That was the golden age, but this is lead, Where vice doth flourish, vertue lieth * dead.

* Damnofa quid non imminuet dies? ætas parentis peior eft auis, &c.

This therefore is my meffage pend by Truth, Erected in the honour of Dame Nature, Inveying gainst Pride, whose aspiring grouth Dissignreth the beautie of the creature: Thus have I spoken that which Nature mov'd me, Directed to thee, for Dame Nature lou'd thee.

The



The Argument.

T Estod reporteth how Pandora was sent from Iupiter to deceive mankind, at least to make triall of his frailtie, by the free proffers of her bounty, fending her, full fraught with all Pleasures, to the end some thereof might ensnare and infensate the minds and affections of the then liuing and inhabiting Arcadians, to whom her message was principally addressed, as appeareth in the first booke of his Opera & dies.

This *Pandora* is voluptuous, (though her name fignifie munificence, or an vniuerfall exhibitreffe of all gifts) fent to enthrall and captivate the appetites and affections of men, to the intent they might yeeld themselues vassals and bondslaues to all fenfuall defires, foments of impietie, or agents of immodestie. And Pandora seemeth to make this fpeech or oration vnto them, as an introduction formally handled, for their pleasure & delectation. Louing Arcadians, if this spacious world now so specious (whilome an indigested chaos) were first ordained for a place of libertie, do not you make it a cage of restraint. It was the will of Nature, who not onely founded but disposed of this vniuerfe as you fee, that Men the hope of her loines and ioy of her life, should live deliciously, and not be enfeebled by strict & rigorous abstinence the Mo-

Mother of difeases, feeding and nourishing manv groffe and maleuolent humours, whereby the health vieth to be empaired, and the whole state of vour bodies diffolued. Wherefore *Iupiter* as your common prouider, forefeeing those miseries which were incident before my coming to all mankind, hath now appointed Me as Deputie to bring this meffage vnto you, that from henceforth you should wallow in pleasures and delights according to your owne defires and affections. Let not fruitlesse Abstinence be a meanes to restraine you, or Temperance a chaine to withhold you, but like Talaflioes companions bid continencie adieu, and make haste to lasciuious meetings: for to make recourse to the principall delight of a knowing man, Contemplation, is it not tedious to fpend a mans time in studie or endlesse fpeculation? Yes certainly, nothing can be worfe then to waste mans life like Epictetus lampe; nothing better then to cosume mans daies in Polixenus cell. And though Epicletus may fay, Semper aliquid difcens fenesco, alwayes learning I grow aged, vet Polixenus may auerre a matter though of lesse consequence, vet a practise of more self-forgetting chearfulnesse, ... Semper aliquid bibens, nihil extimesco, alwayes drinking I am cheered. So that nothing can abash Polixenus, nothing can dismay him: for his daily practife exempts him from meditation of griefe, being as remote from danger as he stands fecure for honour, making euery day his owne prouider, and flanding as respectlesse of posteritie as he is carelesse in hoording Treasure.

He is happie, and free from dangers menacing abroad, or aspiring thoughts (Ambitions subtilest traines) vndermining at home. But Epicletus feare proceedeth from the height of his knowledge, fearing Death the abridgement of knowledge: vet fearelesse of Death it selfe, for it is nothing; but the iffue of Death making his knowledge nothing. Polixenus none can disturbe; for his minde is fixed on that object which is placed before him: fince Nature hath alotted him meate, drinke and apparell, he respects no more. Yet as rich as Bias, for he can fing,—Omnia mea mecum porto. But simple Epicletus, who reposeth so great trust in his Contemplative part, whereto availes his studie? whereto tendeth this Speculation? fince Art hath made him no wifer then to make no difference betwixt wine and water. Neither hath Art made him any thing the richer: for his Lanterne is of more value then all the rest of his sub-Then as you will have regard to your estate or to the health of your delicate bodies, ponder the effect of my Oration, and reape those sensible delights made yours by fruition, in contempt of Stoicke and strict contemplation.

When Pandora had made this plaufiue Oration, mans minde (by an inbred appetite to what is pleafant) was soone addicted and inclined to the premifes; exclaiming with Herodian, that it was a difficult thing to fubdue a mans affections. Wherfore no fooner was Pandora gone, but prefently they * began to cast off the reines of discipline, ex- * Subsidebat posing themselues to follie and all recreancie.

autem in imo vafe, fpes.

Now fee into the Morall hereof, how Man is most addicted to that which in it owne nature is most depraued, alwayes saying with Medæa in the Tragedie, -video meliora probòque

Deteriora fequor.

Such is the crookednesse of mans nature, that he is prone to the worfe part, and confequently like foolish Epimetheus readie to receive Argicida's rewards, subjects of impletie and lasciulous defires, as * Hefiod reporteth of him. Iupiter sent cunning Argicidas to Epimetheus, with intent to enfnare his affections with the faire shew of such pleafant * rewards as he brought with him; namely tempting objects like Athalantaes apples, whereby fhe was deluded, her fpeed fore-flowed, becoming a prey to *Pomæis* that fubtile courfer as he himfelfe wished.

* Ad Epyme-rhea Iupiter misit inclytum Argicidam, munera ferentem deorū celerem nuncium, &c. Floremiuuentutis non deciduum.

> Such are the gifts of Nature, which oft bewitch the mind of the receiver. So that Elpenor was neuer more deformed (whose feature became the prodigie of Nature) then He who fuffereth his minde (the light of his body) to be by these gifts befotted. For first he takes a view of them; then he desires them, and after the desire he entertaines Which receit is no fooner made, then Cyrces with her Cup, or the Syrens with their voyce. inchant these poore companions of Vlisses: but he who Vliffes-like stands firme, and not to be remoued by any fond alluremet, carrying with him that * Moli or herbe of grace by which all charmes are frustrated, shall be a spectator of his Companions mifery, in himfelfe fecured while they are fplit-

* Homerus in Odiff.

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fplitted, which I, in this fecond Satyre briefly and compendiously collected (as well by reading as observation seconded) have by a morall inference in some fort declared.

THE SECOND SATYRE.

Pandora the inchantresse.

PAndora, shall she so be sot thy mind,
That nothing may remaine for good instruction?
Shall she thy mind in chaines and fetters bind,
Drawing thee onward to thy owne destruction?
Be not so soolish, lest thou be oretaken,
And in thy shipwracke live as one for saken.

For though that Nature which first framed thee, Seeme to winke at thy crimes a day or two, Yea many yeares, yet she hath blamed thee For thy offences, therefore act no more. Though she delay affure thee she will call, And thou must pay both vse and principall.

She fmileth at thy locks brayded with gold,
And in derision of thy felfe-made shape,
Who would beleeve (faith * she) this is but mold,
Who trips the streets like to a golden Ape?
Nature concludes, that Art hath got the prize,
And she must yeeld vnto her trumperies.

For I have feene (faith Nature) what a grace Art puts vpon me, with her painted colour: How she *Vermillions ore my Maiden-face, * Bella es nouimus & puella, vertl eft; & diues: Quis enim poteft negare? Sed dum te nimium fabulla laudas, nec diues, neque bella, nec puella es. Martial in Epigram. Nonne vulgatum eft bonas formas ceruffa deuenufare? Pic. Miran. in Epif.

Now

Now nought fo faire, though nought before was fouler; Indeed I am indebted to her love, That can give moveleffe Nature meanes to move.

Thou black-fac'd Trull, how dar'ft thou be fo bold, As to create thy felfe another face?

How dar'ft thou Natures feature to controle,

Seeking by Art thy former to difference?

By heavens I loath thee for thy Panthers skin,

Since what is faire without is foule within.

Indeed thou art ashamed of thy forme:
And why? because of beautie thou hast none;
Nay rather grace, by which thou may'st adorne
Thy inward part, which chiesty graceth one;
"Complaine of Nature (gracelesse) and despaire,
"Since she hath made thee soule, but others faire.

* Talis ornatus non est Dei.

But yet thou wilt be faire, if * painting may
Affoord thee grace and beautie in thy brow:
Yet what auailes this fondling? for one day
Painting will ceaffe: though painting flourish now;
Itch not then after fashions in request,

" But those that comeliest are, esteeme them best.

Yet for all this, I pittie thee poore foule,
In that Dame Nature hath not given thee beautie:
Hang downe thy head like to a defart Owle,
Performe in no cafe to her shrine thy dutie
Vnto her altar vow no facrifice,
Nor to her deitie erest thine eyes.

Thou

Thou hast good cause for to lament thy birth; For none will court thee smiling at thy seature, But prize thee as the refuse vpon earth, Since on my saith thou art an vestie creature, Yet ill wine's good when it is in the caske, And thy sace saire oreshadow'd with a maske.

O be contented, with thy forme, thy feature, Since it is good enough for wormes repaft, Yeelding thy due vnto the shrine of Nature, The fairest faire must yeeld to death at last! Thinke on thy mould, and thou wilt feriously Receive the charge of Natures Embassie.



The Argument.

If I should intreate of such affaires as rather conferre vnto a warlike discourse, then reforming of the multiplicity of errors raging & reigning in this Age, strangely depraued, and in the vniuersall state of her body distempred, I might seeme to make an vnprositable messenger in this weighty Embassie: but to that end haue I chosen such matter as may be a motiue for the furtherance of this mine assay. When this — indigesta moles, this vnseasoned peece of matter had first received some forme or sashion, then presently as it increased in yeares, so it began to adorne it selfe with a comely presence,

fence, attired modeftly without affectatio, feemely without curiofitie, fimply without the vanitie of Art, knowing what was shame without an artificial blush.

So that those dayes well deserved the name of -golden Age: for-redeunt Saturnia regna. afterward by a degenerate, rather vnnaturall course (as what is not corrupted in time, if we confider her original puritie) A certaine kind of people, as extraordinarie in proportion for their greatnesse, so of vnbounded mind for their ambition and boldnesse, began first to wage battell with the gods immortall: till the gods perceiuing their flout and afpiring natures, ouerthrew them in their own practifes: for they did—Imponere Pelion Offa. Tumble mount Pelion vpon Offa, whereby they might reach euen vnto heauen: but the gods made those mountaines the Giants sepulchers; where they lie (vnder those vast hils) and euery seuenth yeare, as the Poets faine—Sub tanti oneris immenfa mole corpora fubleuantes, & eorum opera perperam aggressa execrantes, they lie vnder the weight of so great a burthen to give them a fensible touch of their former ambition. Not without an excellent morall inclusively shadowed, and fitly applied to fuch ambitious heads who are alwayes aspiring high, till with the Giants they be cast downe, leauing no other monument to posteritie, saue dishonour, the due guerdon of their impietie. And furely who shall but consider the diverse singular ends and purposes wherto those pregnant fictions of the Poets were addressed, wittily and emphatically

The Giants. Cœus, Iapetus, Typhæus. cally expressing their seuere and impartiall iudgements, iuftly inflicted on offendors, shall see in them a wonderfull invention, and a continuall discourse, proceeding forward without any alteration, tedious digression, or materiall difference in the relation. Againe, to observe the reuerence which euen the Pagan Authors vsed toward their gods, beginning no worke of what confequence foeuer, without invocation of their fained deities, would moue in vs a more ferious admiration. So that as Valerius Maximus faith, Ab Ioue optimo maximo or si funt prisci oratores: The ancient Orators vsed alwayes to begin their works in their forme of pleading, with an auspicious Iupiter, whereby their workes might have good fucceffe and proceeding. So may I fay, by a prefent application had to these times, that as our best-promising labours become fruitlesse, vnlesse the Almightie prosper and give them successe: so by necessarie consequence, who foeuer falleth into contempt and defpifing of God immortall, shall have his purposes defeated, and vtterly vanquished with the forenamed Giants. Wherefore my third Satyre shall inueigh against such as in contempt of God (giantlike) practife not onely to pull him from his throne by violence, but blaspheme him through a forlorne and godleffe infolence, and as though God had not the power to reuenge, will extenuate his power and lessen his maiestie.

THE THIRD SATYRE.

Hou wicked Caitisfe proud of being nought,
Wilt thou prouoke thy God to strike thee downe,
Since he with care and labour hath thee fought,
And diverse favours in his mercy showne?
Do not draw downe the viols of his ire,
Lest he reward thy sinne with quenchlesse fire.

Thou fillie worme compact of slimie mud,
Which shalt returne to earth from whence thou came,
Thou which conceived was of corrupt bloud,
Thou wormlin, how dar'st thou revile his name?
Farwell thou gracelesse Impe, thou saplesse branch,
Borne to contemne thy God, to cram thy panch.

Thou Epicure, that liu'st in living ill, Living by loving to stretch forth thy gut, Taking more pleasure thy deep panch to fill, Then in thy maker considence to put: Thou for thy feeding shalt receive thy food, Amongst such vipers as shall sucke thy bloud.

It is the nature of the viperous brood,

To be the author of their parents death;

Like an * Hyrudo they do sucke their bloud,

And take away that breath, which gaue them breath,

Thou * viperlike disclaimes thy parents name,

As though to vtter him thou thought it shame.

* Horse-leach.

* Vipera viperæ mortem adfert. Plin. in natur. Hift. dum pario, perio. ibidem. Præmorfo Maris capite parit vipera.

Shame on thy naming, if thou wilt denie

Him, who first gaue thee breath and vitall spirit,

Him.

Him, who can give thee true tranquillitie, Him, who will shew thee meanes how to inherit; Leave off thy foolish fantasies, be wise, Lift up thy eyes to him who gave thee eyes.

But if (vngratefull wretch) thou feele his grace, Yet wilt not yeeld him thanks for all his love, Be fure he will auert his divine face, And all his wonted mercies cleane remove; So thou the fwine that breakes the acorne-shell, Regardest not the tree from whence they fell.

Be warn'd by Cæus, who with Giants power,
Thought with his fellowes to * clime vp to heauen,
But vanquish'd by his power doth all deuoure,
Vnder the ruggie mountaines are laid euen,
Therefore beware, aspire thou not so high,
Lest thou lie low, where those same Giants ly.

Thou art a shadow, God the substance is, Yet insubstantiate, whose Deitie Doth comprehend all things, for all are his, Yet he is not * contain'd most certainely, For he is infinite in qualitie, Endlesse in love, boundlesse in quantitie.

As for his presence, it is every where,
On * fea, on land, and in the depth of depths,
His providence in each place doth appeare,
His mercie is for generations kept,
Wilt thou (fond foole) contemne his heavenly power,
Who governes thee, point, moment, minute, houre.

* Saying with Tiridates in Tacitus: Sua retinere, priuatæ domus, de alienis certare regia laus eft.

Auicen. Thom. in quest. Aug. in Pelag.

* Continet omnia tamen non continetur ab aliquo.

* Terræ Marique Deus eft, nec terræ Mariue homo eft, qui nouit vbi Deus non eft.

What

What though so many will entice to euill, And in plaine tearmes denie the Deitie? Let them remaine as fuell for the diuell, Confesse thou still his power effectually: Looke in the Planets, and the starres, whose light, Giues record of his power, signes of his might.

* Threatning earth with inundations, yet bounded in with her banks as with a girdle. If thou looke vpward, bodies there be manie, Yet trouble they not one anothers motion, If thou looke downward, there the *Sea doth moue thee, Beating the shores, while shores beate backe the Ocean: Looke to the earth, and thou wilt wonder there, To see a Ball so firmely hang in Aire.

But if these motives limit not thy will,
Then I'le endorse this in thy forlorne brow,
How with thine owne hand, thou thy bloud doest spill,
The fruites whereof thy punishment shall show,
Denie not him who never did deny,
For thy default upon the Crosse to die.



The Argument.

I T is reported of *Craefus*, that he fent for *Solon*, well perceiuing that he was esteemed the wisest in Greece: to the intent he might see him placed in his maiesty, pompe, and great solemnity. When *Solon* was come, he demanded of him, whom he thought

thought to be the happiest man in the world; not doubting but he would conclude him to be the happiest, considering the magnificence of himself, the admiration of his attendants, & the fecurity of his state, grounded on such powerfull alliance. Solon (contrary to his expectance) replyed, He could iudge none truly happie before his death, - Neminem ante obitum fælicem esse arbitror. Yet Cræfus would not let him go fo, but demanded further: whom he thought then living to be the happiest; whereto answered Solon, Tellus: & who next saith Cræsus? Next to Tellus do I esteeme Cleobis & Biton (who died in the very performance of parentall obedience:) & fo forward without the least mention made of Crasus felicitie. Whereby it seemed that Cræsus was much offended, though he cocealde his anger for that prefent time, lest the foolish conceipt of his felfe-esteemed happinesse should become palpable. But within short time afterward He found Solons faying most true: for being taken prisoner by Cyrus the Persian king, he was grieuously punished, & restrained by straite seuere imprisonmet, till such time as a day was appointed for Creefus death: & being to be fet vpon the fagot, & ready to fuffer death, he cried forth: O Solon, Solon, vera funt quæ dixisti neminem ante obitum fælicem: Cyrus hearing these words, and enquiring the meaning of them, prefently deliuered him, answering: & ea quoque mihi euenire possunt. ring the state of mans life to be vncertaine, and that none ought to plant his hopes vpon that stabilitie of fortune in terrene affaires, as to promife himfelfe C

himselfe security in his state, or continuance of fuccesse for one victorie atchieued: seeing her wings are not clipped, that her flight should be restrained, nor to any Prince so particularly engaged, that he onely should be by her attended. briefe, as the onely hope of the vanquished confifts in the expectance of all extremitie: fo is it the principall glory of the Conquerour, to moderate his fortune by a mild and temperate bearing of himselfe to the conquered. Hence also have wee fufficient argument of reproofe, towards fuch as take pleafure or delight in their abundance, as Crafus did, so as their minds become drowned, having no respect to the eternitie promised. The reason is, they repose their beatitude and felicity in things transitorie and vncertaine, not looking vp to the Author of all bliffe and happineffe, who is the director and protector of all men, difpoling them to the line and levell of his bleffed will, by expecting them foreflowing, inuiting them refifting, recalling them wandering, and embracing them returning: without whose aide our strength is weakenesse, without whose light our fight is blindnesse, and without whose grace our endeuours are fruitlesse. For alas, what is mans direction but distraction, what is his knowledge but imperfection, and what is the best of his refolution but confusion, wanting his gracious preuention that giueth to each worke a happy period and conclusion? Especially in this curious and intricate Labyrinth of mans life, wherein many Cymmerian windings (to wit, private feducements) ments) are framed and cunningly contriued by that fubtil-winged *Dedalus*. So as miferably are we forced to erre and stray, vnlesse by *Ariadnes* threed, that is, the heauenly light of Gods illuminating Spirit, we be directed and conducted in this vast Theatre of intricacy, to the *flowrie Eden* of endlesse felicitie. For without that allworking power, we are ouerwhelmed with darknesse, not able to attaine to the comfort of our soules, to enioy the fruition of eternall consolation in the life to come.

To shew you the worthie intendments and refolutions of the Ancient, would but make a flourish without effect: as by way of illustration exampleside in mortification, to shew you how Origen made himselfe an Eunuch, Democritus put out his owne eyes, Crates cast his monie into the sea, Thracius cut downe all his vines. Seeing then that to examplishe a mans writings in these daies, is but to beate the aire, vnlesse inuection or a bitter Satyre moue it, I will make haste to runne into my former reprehension, since with Invenall I may well conclude,

Spite of our teeth when vice appeares in fight, We must the Satyres play, and tartly write:

Where a good Poets greatest difficultie, is to reftraine himselse from Satyricall poesse; for impiety like a tetter vniuersally spreading, is such, as no man but he will either be a gamester or a spectator in gaming: either wanton or a saudurite of wantonnesse: therefore now or neuer: -Rumpantur Ilia Codri,

Inuidia.

Now to our Satyre.

THE FOURTH SATYRE.

Hou happie Cræsus in thy heapes of gold, Erect thy selfe a God vpon thy throne, Let it be framed of a purer mold, Then of the Pumice, or the marble stone: Let it be honor'd euen in Cræsus name, Since golden Cræsus did erect the same.

Wilt thou indeed, be honour'd for a god, And with the starres aray thy Princely head? Be fure ere long to feele an iron rod: To crush thee downe, and thy accursed feede. For if thou do denie * thy God his right, He will deprive thy power, abridge thy might.

* Qui in Deum delinquit, eum relinquit.

> Art thou a crauling worme, a feeble creature, And yet dost thinke thy felse a god on earth? Canst thou so easily transforme thy nature: Chang'd to immortall, from a mortall birth? Poore simple gull, a cockhorse for this god, No god but * man, whose sinnes deserve Gods rod.

* Homines cum hominibus fanguinem & gerus mifcent.

Star-staring earthling, puff'd with infolence, Conceipted of thy felfe without defert, Comparing with the Deuine excellence, For which thy follie, thou shalt feele the smart; Do not * thinke God will fuffer thee to raigne, * Quicquid vobis minor That fleights his workes, and takes his name in vaine. * Minimeleet, *

* Quicquid à vobis minor extimescet, Maior hoc vobis dominus minatur.

And as for Cræfus, if he live for aye,
Then will I thinke he is a god indeed:
But he ere long shall have a dying day,
And be inclosed in an earthly weede.
Therefore fond Cræfus, thinke but of thy gold,
As rusticke people of the vilest mold.

Yet thou mays! * vse it Cræfus, to thy good, So thou repose no confidence therein, So thou abuse it not, it is allow'd, Abuse, not vse, is Author of the sinne. Be not deceiu'd through any false pretence, To hoord vp coine, and hurt thy conscience.

* The difference betwixt the poore wanting, and rich not vsing, is by these two expressed, the one carendo, the other non fruendo.

This is a simple traine, a net for fooles,
Not able to deceive * the wifer men.
Fishes be fooner catcht, in glistring pooles,
Then in a troubled creuife, marsh or fen,
But wifest sishes, neuer will appeare,
Where they perceive the smallest cause of feare.

* Sapiens ipfe fingit fortunam fibi.

Lucan. in bell. Phar.

Thus is the forme of wifedome well explaned, Euen in a Christall glasse most eminent, Wherein our distinct natures are contained, As in a Table aptly pertinent, How that bewitch'd we are, in seeming good, And that provues poyson which we tooke for sood. This is my Satyre, Cræfus which I fend thee, To th'end thou mayst admonish'd be of this; I hope my Satyre will in time amend thee, And draw thy mind from earth-opinion'd blisse, Wherefore farewell, and if thou wilt be blessed, Flie from this rust, by it thy mind's oppressed.



The Argument.

Rogus Pompeius relateth in his generall Historie, how Astrages dreamed that there fprong a vine forth of the wombe of his daughter Mandanes, whose broad-spreading branches ouershadowed all Asia, wherefore to take away the ground and foundation of his feare, having vnderstood by the Magi, that by the vine was intimated Cyrus, who should overshadow all Asia with his victorious and conquering hand, he commanded Harpagus one of his privie Counfell to take the babe and flay it, that whatfoeuer his dreame imported, might by this meanes be preuented: but Harpagus more copassionate then Astiages (though too remorcelesse) exposed it to the crueltie of fauage beafts, where (fo carefull is nature of her owne) it found more pittie in the wild forrest, then in his grandfathers Pallace, being for fome dayes nourished by a she-wolfe or bitch.

bitch, (whence Nurses to this day reserve the name of Spacon,) and after found by one Faustulus a shepheard, was deliuered to his wife to be brought vp and nurfed: which she, delighted with the chearfull countenance of the child, did accordingly, till in tract of time Cyrus came to the vnexpected height of an Empire, and fullfilled those predictions and Prophecies which were formerly fpoken of him. This Argument have I culled, to the end my Satyre, vsing the liberty of fo materiall an Argument, may inueigh against such as seeke by all wayes to dilate and propagate the borders and bounders of their kingdome, (not respecting the meanes, fo they may attaine the end) or strengthen the continuance of their vniust claime by finister Hesiod, in opemeanes: not vnlike to Polynices and Eteocles in the n: & die. Tragedie; who though they were brethren, euen the haplesse children of wofull Oedipus, yet could they not content themselues with their peculiar Polynices & Efhares feuerally limited, and mutually allotted, but teocles monomust crie:— Aut Cæsar, aut nullus: wherefore no decertantes, they enioyed the fruites of feldome profpering mutuis vulnerideuision, a short reigne, attended on with perpetuall runt, ibid. infamie after death. Wherefore that is the best labour or trauell, where they do * - Proponere la- * Vide Ethicoborem vt cum virtute & iustitia coniungant. the best strife, the best contention, which (in a glorious nandi argumeemulation) is conversant about vertue, not entertai- tiffinis princining an vniust practice to gaine a kingdome, but ta virtutum euer to conclude with Aurelius Sextus: - Ex pef-innixa funt. simo genere ne catulum: Man that is wicked in his proceedings, getting an Empire by bloud (with-

This is & corum præ-

out regard of election or descent) may liue, and for a while flourish, but he shall die without an Heyre: therefore this Satyre is purposely directed to fuch, (with an equall reflex from superiour to inferiour) as respect not the meanes how to obtaine a kingdome, fo they may have a kingdome, agreeing with that in the Poet; Regam, modum regnandi non quæram. I will gouerne, though I feeke not the meanes how to gouerne well: or thus: I will governe, though I regard not the meanes whereby I come to governe. Thus much for a wicked Amulius, who will gouerne though it be by the death or deposing of his brother Numitor, or an impious Pigmalion, who will murther Sychaus his brother to be enioyer of his treasure, or a faith-infringing Polymnestor, who betraves the trust of a Protector, in praying vpon the Orphane Polydore. Of these my Satyre shall intreate, and brand them with the marke of an injurious posfession.

* Polidorum obtruncat & auro vi potitur 3. Ænead.

THE FIFT SATYRE.

* Et satu terra nefando. Hou hellish* brood, borne to thine owne offence,
Thou that wilt run into a streame of bloud,
Yet cries againe; It's in mine owne defence,
Hauing no care of vow-lincht brotherhood;
Be thou thine owne destroyer, thine owne foe,
And may thy conscience fret where ere thou goe.

What doest thou get, by getting of a crowne, Deposing him, that is the lawfull heire?

But

* As it is writte of August: tha he had broken

Seepes and vsed to lend for some

to passe the night away in telling tales or holding him

with talke. Tit. Liu. dec 3.

* As Mithrida-

tes was faid to plant his king-

dome on an indirect foundation, Blood. Ap-

pian. Alexan.

But cares and feares, and forrowes of thine owne, With * gaftly visions, motives to despaire? Lament thy raigne, dominions got by wrong, May floure awhile, but last they cannot long.

Though Numitor depos'd be by his brother,
Fate hath her stroke, some Romulus will spring,
Or if not Romulus, there will some other
Depose his greatnesse, make himselse a king.
Thus as he got his kingdome, shedding * bloud,
He of his bloudie purchase reapes small good.

Where Iurifdiction is obtain'd by might,
Without apparent right vnto the crowne,
Shall foone extinguish all her former light,
And change her forme like to the waining Moone.
For such vsurping kings as aime at all,
Shall misse their aime, and with their Scepter fall.

And thou Pigmalion, who art neuer fil'd,
But ever gapes for riches and for gold,
Till thou with might thy Brothers bloud hast spil'd,
Or till thy yauning mouth be stopt with mold,
Either repent thy wrong, or thou shalt heare,
A thousand * Furies buzzing in thine eare.

De cæde fraterna vberiori modo exarata, vid. Virgil. 1. Lib. AEnead.

* A Tergo Nemesis.

Foolish Astyages that meanes to raigne,
And plant thy throne on earth eternally,
I tell thee (doting King) though thou distaine,
Cyrus should raigne, he will part stakes with thee:
No, he'le have all, thou art his subject made,
And with his vine all Asia's shadowed.

Though

Cambyses.

2 Brothers.

Though thou do marry, and affure to wife, Thy faire Mandanes, to a countrey * fquire, That her meane marriage might fecure thy life, A king shall spring from such an homely sire. It is in vaine to plot, when gods resist, Who can defeate our proiects as they list.

What Polynices, wilt thou fight, with whom?
With thine owne brother deare Eteocles;
Will you contend, fince you be both as one?
*Cleon will neuer fight with Pericles;
Then why will you, the children of one fire,
Against each other mutually conspire?

Fie on you both, what fauage crueltie,
Hath thus poffest you in your tender age,
Brother gainst brother most inhumanely,
To shew your felues as Men in beastly rage?
Farewell vngodly Twins, borne for debate,
When Ruine knocks, Repentance comes too late.

Farewell Astyages, that reignes for aye,
And thou Pigmalion, who do'st gape for wealth,
Amulius too, who learning to obay,
Perceiues how Realmes decline that's got by stealth.
Farewell, and if my tart lines chance to spite ye,
My Satyre sayes, A dead dog cannot bite me.

The

The Argument.

Lytemnestra Agamemnons wife, forfaking her owne husband Agamemnon, ran to the vnchast bed of Ægistus, where she prostituted her felfe, regardleffe of her birth, and neglectfull of her honour. This Agamemnon perceived, but through the exceeding loue he bore her, feemingly couered this her apparent dishonour, labouring to reclaime her rather by clemencie then rigour: but she persisting in her hatefull lust and vnlawfull affection, perfwaded Ægistus by vrgent folliciting to continue in his former adulterie, without regard to Agamemnons loue, or the infamie of her owne life. And having not as yet fpun the web of her mischiefe, she seconds her lasciuious attempt with a fecret practife, conspiring with her fauourite Ægistus her husbands death, which was afterwards effected, but not vnreuen-This instance shall be the first subject vnto my Satyre; wherein I meane to display the impudencie of fuch, as out of a godlesse securitie, vsually auouch and iustifie their wicked and fenfuall pleafures with *Phædra* in the Poet, writing to her fonne in law Hyppolytus after this manner:

* Vt tenuit domus vna duos, domus vna tenebit,
Ofcula aperta dabas, ofcula aperta dabis.

For fuch incestuous Phædraes, let them diuert their gaine.

* One house hat.
held, one house
shall hold vs
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we kisse, and we
will kisse againe.

eyes to the enfuing Satyre, and then answer me, whether they do not blush at their decyphered follie, which more apparent then light will shew it felfe to euery eye: for the retiredst angle or corner cannot giue vice a couer, whose memorie may be darkned, but not extinguished: nor can the wide wombe of the earth find her a graue wherein to interre her, being like Pasyphaes issue, * euer a shame to the Parent. And as Hecubaes sonne, portending * destruction to the Troian Citie, was thought fit to be casten forth, lest the euent thereof should be answerable to the Prophese: so shall this accurfed iffue, this execrable Progenie shew it felfe, and be fitter for casting forth then preseruing, fince Clytemnestra shall feele the edge of cruelty, and the scourge of deuine furie.

* The Mino-

* Per fomnum ardentem facem fe peperiffe fentiens.

THE SIXT SATYRE.

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Is it because thy husband wills thee so the solution of the short about the solution of the short about the shor

* Quæritur AEgiftus quare fit factus adulter in promptu caufa eft, defidiofus erat. Ouid.

What's that thou weares about thy downie necke? O it's a painted heart, a Iewell fit,
For wanton Minions who their beauties decke,
With garish toyes, new Suiters to begit:
Thou hast a painted heart for chastitie,
But a true heart for thy adulterie.

Speake

Speake on Adultreffe, let me heare thy tongue,
Canst varnish ore thy sin with * eloquence?
Silence; such sinnes should make the sinner dumbe,
And force his speech to teare-swolne penitence;
Do not then shadow thy lasciuious deeds,
For which the heart of Agamemnon bleeds.

* Infipiens eloquentia, vti gladius in furentis manu, no obesse maxime non potest. Mirand. in laud. Herm.

Leaue of (foule strumpet: keepe thy husbands bed, Thou hast no interest in Ægistus sheetes: Infamous acts, though closely done are spred, And will be blaz'd and rumour'd in the streetes. Flie from this scandall, lest it soile thy name, Which blemisht once, is nere made good againe.

Is not thy hufband worthy of thy love?
Too worthy hufband of a worthleffe whoore,
Then rather chufe to die then to remove:
Thy chaft-vowd steps from Agamemnons boore?
He's thine, thou his, O * may it then appeare,
Where ere he is, that thou art onely there.

But for Hyppolitus to be incited
By his step-mother, O incestuous!
And to his * fathers bed to be invited:
What fact was ever heard more odious?
But see (chast youth) though she perswade him to it,
Nature forbids, and he's ashamed to do it.

* You * painted Monkies that will nere restraine, Your hote desires from lusts-pursuing chase, Shall be consumed in a quenchlesse stame, Not rest of griese, though you were rest of grace. * Vsing the words of that chast Romane Matron: where thou art Caius, I am Caia.

* Theseus.

* The Application of the Morall.
* Quis fucum in proba virgine non damnet? Quis in veflali non deteftetur?

Pic. Mirand. in

Epist.

Berest

Bereft of grace, and buried in shame, Regardlesse of your honour, birth, or name,

I can discerne you by your wanton toyes, Your strutting like Dame Iuno in her throne, Casting concealed fauours vnto boyes: These common things are into habits growne, And when you have no fauours to bestow, Lookes are the lures which draw affections bow.

* Si puellam viderimus moribus lepidam atq; dicaculam, laudabimus, exofculabimus: hæc in matrona damnabimus & perfequemur. ibid.

Trust me I blush, to see your impudence, Sure you no women * are, whose brazen sace, Shewes modestie ha's there no residence, Incarnate diuels that are past all grace; Yet sometimes wheate growes with the fruitlesse tares, You have fallne oft, now fall vnto your prayers.



The Argument.

Whosever will but consider the fortune, or rather missortune of *Tereus* for his wickednesse, shall behold as in a glasse or transparent mirror, the fruite of adulterous beds. For his licencious and inordinate lust contained within no bounds, but continuing in all prohibited desires, and now pursuing with an incestuous heate *Phylomele* his wives sister, hath transformed himselse into a reasonlesse creature; for now Te-

reus

reus in Vpubam changeth his former nature and condition, becoming in shape as odious, as his life was impious, as the Poet testifieth:

Vertitur in volucrem, cui stant pro vertice crista. Thus may adulterous want-graces looke into Tereus fall, and then apply his ruine to their present state. I gather these Arguments out of fictions and Poeticall inuentions, yet are not these fables without their deuine Morals; for fuch men as are touched with this crime or the like, ought to be ashamed of their follie, since the very heathen Poets, whose best of facred knowledge was the light of Nature, could exclaime against them, and pourtray the forme of their lives in a fained inuention. For to exemplifie special punishments inflicted on particular finnes, *Those birds which . The Harryes. still frequented Phineus armie, and annoyed him with fuch a filthy fent, that euen vpon shipboord they would come flocking to his Nauie, and bring a loathfome stench, whereby they vsed to infect his meate, neuer departing from him, either morne or night, but would — Escopulis exire, & vniuersam classem teterrimo fætore inficere. Wherefore was this, but forafmuch as by the perfwasion of his second wife Idea, he put forth the eves of his children had by his first * wife? of which * Cleobatra. in the latter part of this Satyre I meane especially to infift, declaring by way of aggrauation the wickednesse of such Iniusta Nouerca, who will tyrannife ouer their stepchildren, respectlesse of Phineus punishment or Idaas vexation. And though some object, that these Arguments be but fruitleffe

leffe inuentions hatched forth of Poets braines; yet must they of force consesse ingenuously, that their Morals conferre no lesse benefit, then if deriued from a truer subject: for whosoeuer will not beware of *Ideas* sact, shall vndergo *Ideas* punishment; let them therefore auoyd the sact precedent or let them expect the punishment subsequent.

* Quem fecere parem crimina, fata parem. *1bid.* * Par tibi culpa fuit, par tibi pena fubit. *alib.* Nec culpa eft leuior, nec tibi pæna minor.

THE SEVENTH SATYRE.

H Ow now fond Tereus, whither rid'st so sast,
To Progne or to Itis? O, it's true,
Thou goest vnto thy sister, made vnchast,
By thy enforced rape, for she nere knew
What lusts-embraces meant, till thou hadst taught her,
Which gaue her cause of forrowing euer after.

Come backe againe, go to thy chast wives bed, Wrong not the honour of a spotlesse wise, What fruite yeelds lust when thou hast surfeted, But wretched death, drawne from a wicked life? Returne fond lustfull man, do not dishonour Poore Phylomele, for heavens eyes looke on her.

* Forfitan & narres quam fit tibi rustica coniux. It may be thou alledg'st, * rusticity
Appeareth in the fashions of thy Deare;
Is this a cloake to live licentiously?
No, if her breeding more vncivill were,
These should not be occasions of thy shame,
For in discretion thou shouldst cover them.

Thou

Thou art that Rusticke, she the modest slower, Not seeking for to grow with other plants Then with thy selfe, though thou for every boore, Suites thy affection, yet affection wants: She * loves, thou lusts, thine is a borrowed name, For shame-fast love needs never blush for shame.

Amor perennis coniugis caftæ manet. Sen. in. Octan

How now Prince Phineus, where's thy childrens eyes, Are they put out, who mou'd thee to offend? Was it Idæa, whom the gods defies? Whom neither heaven nor earth can well commend. It was Idæa, she the Step-dame cries, Haste, Phineus haste, pull out thy childrens eyes.

He'le do it for thee, there's no question why, To faire Idæa, chast Queene to his bed, He should the murdring of his soule deny, Much lesse to cause his childrens bloud be shed; See step-dames see, how hatefull is your guilt, When to raise yours, anothers bloud is spilt!

Murder thy children, put out Orphans eyes, God cannot falue their extreame heavinesse: He cannot heare them when they make their cries, Nor can he comfort them in their distresse. Yes, he can heare and see, and though he come With a slow pace, he will at last strike home.

Then grieue, but let not griefe driue to despaire;
Trust, but let Trust breed no securitie,
For crying sinnes when they presuming are,
Oft wound so deepe they find no remedie.

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Farewell

Farewell Idæa, may my Satyre heare, For each bloud-drop th'aft shed, thou shedst a teare.



The Argument.

He Argument of this Satyre shall be against all wicked Iulians, all godlesse Apostates. And though in the third Satyre I have touched this Argument briefly: yet now more amply meane I to deblazon the forlorne condition of these vnnaturall monsters. For to produce the Authorities & Opinions of the very heathen Phylosophers, they haue generally concluded, not onely a God, but a Trinitie, Three in-beings or persons coeffentiall. As first the Platonists, who have concluded a Minder, Minding, and a Minded, but the chiefe hereof the Minder. From the Platonists let vs descend to the Pythagorians, amongst whom Numenius worthie for his learning (infomuch as Porphyrie a man of ripe iudgement and pregnant conceit, albeit a profest enemie of Christ, wrote many feuerall Commentaries vpon him) fpeaketh thus: Touching the Individuate effence of God, it is compact of it felfe in one, fubfifting of none, in and of himselfe alone, not to be contained or circumfcribed within any limits or bounds, being euer during in time, before time, and without time; incomprehensible in his works, indiuisible,

The Pythag. Numenius,

in his fubstance insubstantiate. The Academicks The Academ. in like fort conclude the fame, yeelding to an omnipotent power, working according to the diuine will of the worker; wherein they give excellent instances and similitudes in the * Sunne, and the * The Sunne, beames, and heate proceeding from the Sunne, drawing from heate alluding thence a fingular argument to proue the divine Trinitie. Trinitie. Zeno the father of the Stoicks, acknow-Stoicks. ledged the Word to be God, and also the fpirit of Thus Academicks of later times, Sto-Iupiter. icks, Pythagorians, and Platonists, confesse this heauenly power: and shall we who are borne in the dayes of light and truth deny the fame? Her-Hermes his demes can conclude, how-Radij deuini funt eius o-scription of the porationes miræ, Radij mundani funt naturæ & rerum kings. similitudines variæ, Radij humani sunt artes & scientia. And shall we confesse the later, but not the first, from whence the later be derived? Plato in his 13. Epistle to King Dennis writeth thus. When I 13 Epist. to King write in earnest, you shall know hereby, that I be-Sene in Epist ad gin with one God; but when I write otherwife. Lucil. then I begin with many gods. Aristotle likewise that ferious inquisitor in the secrets of Nature, could fay :- Ens entium miserere mei. Thus are our God was not Atheists conuinced by Pagans; for neither Or-made at any time, in as much phuus whose invention gave that opinion of plu- as he is everlaralitie of gods first footing, nor Diagoras the A- lastingly unbethenian, who denied that there was any God, were exempted from feuerest censure, the one hauing his opinions publickly refelled, the other for his contempt of the gods, expulsed. For such nouell opinions as Antiquity had not traduced vnto them.

them, but feemed repugnant to what they beleeued touching their gods, were esteemed perillous, and the founders of them worthie due pu-And how much more ought we reuerently to observe and carefully retaine what Sacred authoritie, grounded on better warrant then Pagan Antiquitie, hath commended to vs, where euery clause, euery syllable, sentence and title are full of fententious fweetnesse, and divine fulnesse? As for the palpable blindnesse of such as see not, or wilfull ignorance of fuch as fee but will not, the time will come when He, whom they denie shall reueale himselfe in furie, and those grosse opinions which with fuch affeuerance they maintained, shall be testimonies against them to conuince them. And though, as Suetonius witneffeth, there be some, who like Caligula will threaten the aire, that she shall not raine vpon his publicke games or stately spectacles, shewing himselfe so peremptorie, as though he would cope with the immortall Gods, yet would he-ad minima tonitrua, & fulgura conniuere, caput obuoluere, ad vero maiora proripere se è strato, sub lectumq condere solebat: at the noise of thunder or lightning winke hard, couer his head, and flop his eares, to take away the occasion of his feare: yea more then this, he would leape out of his bed and hide himselfe vnder it. Thus did he contemne him whose works made him tremble, derogating from his power, yet astonished with the voice of his thunder: and though in his time and his predecessor Tiberius

Vid. Sueton. Tranq. in vit. Calig.

* Phylo the Iew. there flourished a * worthie Philosopher, who all-

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beit a Iew by nation, yet frequent amongst the Romanes, had great judgement in matters divine. and fpake profoundly of the things which belonged vnto the expectation of Nations: Notwithstanding all this, they continued without the least acknowledgement of a Deitie, and in contempt of the divine power, threatning the heavens if they scouled or frowned voon the Romane gamesters, as I have before mentioned. Whereby it feemes they repofed fuch confidence in the height of their present estate, as they imagined so firme a foundation could be shaken by no Superiour power; for indeed worldly pompe makes men for the most part forgetful of their duty towards their Creator, thinking (as men in a fooles Paradife) that this present Sunshine of their seeming felicitie shall neuer set. Yet no sooner shall hoarie age draw neare, then-friget aftus honoris, and their former chearefulnesse enseebled with all infirmities, shall with lame limmes and a queasie voice crie out,-Non eadem est atas: then shall the cureleffe itch of honor by the brine of age be allayed. youthfull fports abandoned, and a quiet life ra-Petitur hac ther defired then magnificence of estate. Conclu-caelum via. ding with Seneca the Phylosopher, inueying against the tyrannie of Nero to this effect:

Well did I liue, when I from enuie rid, Was pent vp 'mong ft the Rocks of th' Corfian fea, Where if I still had liu'd as once I did, Well had it gone both with my state and me.

In the Tragedie of Agrip.

For whofoeuer shall but seriously consider the state and course of mans life, which is intangled D 3 with

with fo fundrie and manifold perills, shall call it with the Poet,—mundum vitro similantem, where life is an exile, the passage a perill, and the end doubtfull. Thus farre of those who either with successe of fortune pussed, or height of honour transported, or through a carnall libertie benummed, trust so much in the arme of slesh, as they wholly denie the power and maiestie of the onely God (or soueraigne good) preferring a momentanie delight before a celestiall reward. Now to my Satyre.

THE EIGHT SATYRE.

Ow stout Caligula that dar'st the gods,
Saying, they must not frowne vpon thy pleasure,
Thou and immortall powers are still at odds,
Whose * gold's thy god, whose deitie's thy treasure.
Thou'lt feele the smart hereos, when thy estate,
Founded on frailtie shall be ruinate.

* Modo auaritiæ fingulos increpans, & quod puderet eos locupletiores effe, qua fe. in vit. Calig.

Thou wilt not feare him while thou liues on earth,
Though life and power, and all be in his hand,
Thou'lt fight with him (poore worme) that gives the
breath,

And with the breath of flesh checke Ioues command. Vnhappie Prince, though thou the happiest seeme, This reigne of thine is but a golden dreame.

And when this dreame is past, and thou awake, From thy soule-charming slumber thou must on,

Ta-

Taking thy iourney to the * Stygian lake, Or flame exhaling quenchleffe Phlegeton, Where poyfoned Adders shall infect thy tongue, Which did so impiously her maker wrong.

* Sperent te tartara regem.

Flie from the horror of thy damned foule,
For fure ere long thou shalt be punished.
See how thy soule deformed is and foule,
Soiled with sinne, with errours blemished.
O * wash them then, some hope doth yet remaine,
But now vnwasht they'le nere be white againe!

* Christus lauacrü est animæ, canalis gratiæ: Lauacrum, in quo anima immergitur & lauatur, Canalis, à qua omnis gratia animæ deriuatur.

Art not asham'd for to denie his power,
Who giveth life vnto each living thing?
To heaven, to earth, to sea, and to each slower,
He giveth meanes, for by him all things spring.
Who will not then, and knowing this, account
The earth's the Lords, and he's Lord Paramount?

Doest thou not see the fabricke of this earth,
And all the plants which flourish in their kind,
How by his power each creature bringeth forth,
As if indeed they knew their makers mind:
Where th'very earth-worme that's endu'd with sence,
Is not excluded from his * providence?

* The very hedghog is not excluded from his prouidence. Aug.

Then leave this damn'd opinion, Iulian,
Be not too confident of earthly rule:
Remember still thou art a mortall man,
And in his power who can the feas controule.
It's he can make this earths foundation shudder,
Whose Empires reach from one Sea to another.

Yet thou Caligula canst threat the gods,
If they descend but in a winters showre,
And saist in scorne, Thou'lt beate them with thy rods,
If they hold on, upon thy games to lowre.
Yet cowardize constraines thee for to slie,
At every slash, and like a Babe to crie.

Thou'lt menace death vnto Eternitie,
If they obey not thy imperious pleasure:
Thus gods themselues must seele thy tyrannie,
Enioynd to dance attendance at thy leysure:
Yet for all this, if thou but Thunder heares,
Thou pulls thy cap downe ore thy frighted eares.

So every falfe Apostate will be stout,
Before he feele the Viols of Gods wrath:
But when he tasts thereof he gins to doubt,
And calls to mind how he * forfooke his faith.
His fall from which, confessing with his tong,
His tongue is speaking, but his heart is dombe.

* But see, being in the way of doing well, hame holds him from the faith from which he sell.

Dumbe shalt thou be, for heaven will have it so, Since thou appliest thy tongue to wickednesse, Abusing that, gainst him who did bestow All that thou hast, this's thy vnthankefulnes. Yet but relent, and doubt not to obtaine, That heavenly grace, which else thou canst not gaine.

Gracelesse beware, and seare the power of heaven,
Who can destroy thee in a minutes space,
He who can make, the * sleepest mountaines even,
Whose footstoole's earth, & heaven his dwelling place,
Feare

* Excelfa humiliando & humilia exaltando. Feare, graceleffe feare, and thou shalt live for ever, For feare gives life to doath, health to the liver.

Live thou shalt never, if thou do not care
To shew respect to the upreme Maiestie,
He whom we feare, who tenders our welfare,
And guides vs in this vale of miserie.
Pagan thou art, vnlesse thou do amend,
Whose endlesse sinnes expect a * wofull end.

Therefore as thou regards thy sweete soules health, Or honour of thy Maker, now reclaime
Thy breach of faith slain'd with the worlds filth,
If thou a sonne of Syon meanes to raigne.
Fare well or ill; if well thou meanes to fare,
Vnto the Temple of thy God repaire.

* Iulian and Fæiix had both miferable ends:
while Iulian
that impious
Apoflate continued in his blafhemie: Ecce
quam fumptuofits valts fillo
Mariæ miniftratur! vid. Venerab. Bed. 3. lib.



The Argument.

Hyppeas that worthy Grecian, who stroue for the games in the Olympiads, wore no other apparell saue what with his owne handes (being a generall Artist) he had framed, having not so much as the ring of his singer, or bracelet about his arme, but were made by him, yea & the shooes of his seete, which with his owne skill he made likewise. This Hyppeas having gained the chiefest prizes by meanes of his activitie; and now returning

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ning in the triumph of a Conquerour with a Coronet of floures empaled, to receive the propofed reward: the publicke Notarie of these games came (according to the wonted custome vsually observed) to demaund the best raiment or chovcest particular ornament the Conquerour had about him. Now this fellow, whom continuance of time had made impudent, feeing the bountie of the conquering Hippeas, according to the manner, received the best raiment the Victor wore: and scarce contented therewith, (like an infatigable fuiter) begged farther his stockings, and Hyppeas denied him nothing. So long he continued in begging, and he in giuing, till Hyppeas went naked forth of the Olympiads, having nothing wherewith he might shew his friends any femblance of conquest or victorie, saue his naked bodie, which he presented vnto them, vsing these words vnto the Notarie: What I have eiuen thee, I would have bestowed on my professedst enemy, for fuch motives of vaineglory should rather move me to loath them then love them, leave them, then live with them, remembring, how

The fage Eutrapelus expressly bad, His foes should have the choycest robes he had, Wherein he found by proofe this speciall good,

To make himfelfe more humble, them more proud. The name of this begger was Mynthos, who hauing thus polled & fpoiled this worthy Conqueror of all his apparell through his importunacie in demanding, prefently thus answered one by whom he was sharpely taxed: Nemo est quin aliqua in

arte præclarus est, ego autem in præmia & vestimenta comparando, palmam & gloriam adeptus fum meque divitem ex aliorum paupertate feci. This shall be the Argument of this ninth Satyre, touching impudent crauers: Thefe-Iri egentes, of whom the Poet speaketh, who make themselues rich by their feruile basenesse, and as Vultures seede best vpon the flinkingst carrion, so they vpon others riot, prodigalitie, and diffolution, fucking like the Sangui-fugæ, who feede themfelues with bloud till they burst. Reason have I to invey against them, fince Ifrael the elect and select people of God were not to receive them—Let there be no begger in Ifrael. Time was not then for Parasites to currie fauour, when none was to haue reliefe but by his labor; fo expresly was every one eniovned to apply his vocation, that * he who would not Gen. 3. 19.
2. Thef. 3. 10. labour should not eate. And may these insatiable Prou. 5. 15. 1. Thes. 4. 11. Mynthes taste the like fare, being derived from as base beginnings as they are oftimes advanced without merit to great meanes and possessions, yea composed of as ignoble and degenerate minds, as they are fprong of ingenerous bloud.

THE NINTH SATYRE.

Yppeas, your cloake I crave, that is my due,
Your stockings too, and fuch like toyes as these,
Free to bestow a Bountie were in you,
And yet a debt, for you to know my see's.
But Debt to mention I do think't vnsit,
When Bountie is so neare to answer it.

And

And yet I want, and yet what can I want, When He of whom I craue's fo prone to give? When store by Ioue is fent, there is no scant, All famine leave, and all in plentic live. See what thou wants then Minthos, and but crave it, Hyppeus is stor'd, and thou art sure to have it.

Belt, Beuer, Buskin, view from top to toe, See what thou wants his Wardrope will fupply, And laugh at him when thou hast vs'd him so, And bid him triumph in his victory. Let him go nak'd, and boast what he hath done, Whilest thou enioyes the Booties he hath won.

The true description of a Parasite.

Yet tearme him Prince of bountie, and requite '
In feeming Protestations, and in vowes,
Yet care not for him when he's out of sight;
For those thrive best who can make fairest shows:
In speaking much, but little as they meane,
And being such, but not the same they seeme.

* Satis domi talium falutatorum habeo. Plut. in vit. Tiber. I would I could, thus maift * thou bring him on, I could extend my wealth vnto my will, I would erect to show what you have done, Some Time-outliving Monument, to fill The world with amazement, when they heare What you have bene, and what your actions were.

And then impart thy want, how fortunes are Vnequally devided, yet to fuch As He whose Bountie gives to each his share, Though much he hath, yet ha's he not too much:

And

And then with cap in hand befeech his worth, Be good to thee, that's borne of obscure birth.

Indeed thou feemes to be an obscure Asse, A spacious Beggar, begging euery where, Who wilt not suffer a patcht boote to passe, But thou wilt beg it for thy leg that's bare. Indeed too bare thou art, too impudent, That with thy owne state canst not be content.

Vid. Perfi. in Satvr.

Pefantlike Bastard, hate thy Beggarie,
Liue on thy owne, not on anothers state;
Thou that descendest from base penurie,
Wilt by thy Begging liue at higher rate t
Numbred thou art amongst such men as begs,
The smoke of Chimnies, snuffes, and Vintners dregs.

Vid. Iuuenal. Satv.

Thou art defam'd, for all deride thy kneeling, Thy capping, cringing, and thy temporizing, As if thou hadft of modestie no feeling, But from anothers razing drew thy rising. Well, for thy begging we will beg for thee, The Pattent of disgrace and infamie.

So with thy wallet as a beggar should, Be not asham'd to seeme that which thou art, Sowe patch on patch, to keepe thee from the cold, And shew thy want in each seame-rented part: But do not rere thy fortunes on mens fall, For such base Beggars are the worst of all.

Qualis es, talis appare.

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Vultum verba decent. *Horat*. I write not to thee in a fublime stile, Such is vnfit thy errors to conuince;

A Satyres natiue Rhetoricke. Satyres though rough, are plaine and must reuile Vice with a Cynicke bluntnesse, as long since

* Eupolis, Arifologius, Arifleas, &c.

* Those grave iudicious Satyrists did vse, Who did not taxe the time, but times abuse.

And yet I wish my pen were made of steele, And every leafe, a leafe of lasting brasse, Which might beare record to this Commonweale, When this Age's past, to Ages that shall passe. But * these as others must, shall lose their name, And we their Authors too must die with them.

Debemur morti nos nostraq;

> Yet well I know, I shall Characterd be, In living letters, proving what I write, To be authenticke to posteritie, To whom this Ages vices I recite. Which, much I doubt, as they're successive still, By course of yeares, so they'le succeed in ill.

For vice nere dyes intestate, but doth leave, Something behind, to shew what it hath bene; Yea canting knaves that hang on others sleeve, Can charge their heires still to pursue the streame, Where Iohn a style bequeathes to Iohn a noke, His Beggars rags, his dish, his scrip, his poke.

With which Ile beg; no, with my foule I fcorne it, Ile rather carrie tankards on my backe; Yet th'trade is thriuing, true, but I'ue forfworne it, Nor would I beg, though competent I lacke.

Before

Before I should make congies to a fwayne, I would forfweare to take my legs againe.

I am but poore, and yet I fcorne to beg, To be a Bastard to my Progenie, Yea I will rather with * Sycites feg, Receive my death, then get me infamie. I'le be a galley-slave in Turkish ship, Rather then scrape my crums out of a scrip.

* Poyson. Sycites fig. a Prouerbe

Bias was poore, and yet his wealth increased, All that he had he carried still about him; Bias is dead, his goods by death are seifed, Mydas is poore, his goods were all without him. Bias and Mydas both agree in this, Earths blisse when we're in earth quite vanish'd is.

Vid. dict. Cretenfium.

^a Candaules he was rich, yet he was poore, Rich in his coffers rammed downe with gold, Yet poore in this, his wife did prove a whoore, Showne naked vnto Gyges to behold. Collatine poore, yet rich, his wife is chaft, Both these agree in this, by death embrast.

b Irus was poore, but Croess passing rich, Irus his scrip differs from Croess boord, Yet now compare them and I know not which,

a Candaules in primo libro Iu-ftini, Qui oftendens eam Gigi (deposita veste) tantæ insaniæ pænas luit, à Gige enim confoditur mira virtute annuli cooperto. Vnde Poeta; coniugis vt nudam speciem monstrasset amico: Dilectam speciem perdit, amicus habet.

Quasi silentium damnum pulchritudinis esset. iiid. Vid. Cic. de off. 3. Lib. Plato. de leg. l. 1. b Irus, qui in domo Vissis post reditum suum, ab Visse, pugna nimirum eius, peremptus est; Irus qui Scrinio suo & Obba in platæis Greciæ mendicare solebat, superbia quasim (aut spe fuauioris lucri) assectus, in Penelopem, inter Penelopis socios, (vt nuncius potius quam procus) accedere ausus est; — Dignum supplicium pertulit, quia tanta animi audacia (more procacis mendici) in lares consularis dignitatis viri procedere aust. Vid. Hom. Ili. interp. Calab.

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Is better furnish'd or the worfer stor'd: For fee their fates, they both in one agree, Since by pale Death they both arrested be.

* Demosthenes an Orator of Athens. Priscillaes purse, * Demosthenes his hand,
Do differ much, the one is alwayes shut,
The other open, for rewards doth stand;
Yet if we measure either by his foot,
That close-shut purse, and that receiving hand,
Haue equall shares made by the * Sextons wand.

* Virga fepulchralis. Varr.

> Yet Beggar, thou that begs, and hopes to gaine Store of rewards, for to relieve thy need. Or furfet rather, tell me what's thy aime, When those * thou feeds, shall on thy carkasse feed? For then where's the Beggar now become, Whose shame's too great, to hide with shroud or tombe?

* Pascentur à nobis quæ pascuntur in nobis. Vermes.

Take these rude Satyres as composed by him Who loves his state farre better then thy trade, For * Beggars lose more then they seeme to win, Since their esteeme for ever's blemished:
Live at a lower rate, and beg the lesse.
I'le live to write, if thou thy fault redresse.

* Expof'd to shame, and infamie betraid.

Amicus non Mendicus.

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The Argument.

*Aurus * a rich Iustice, seemed to carrie great * Raptus abit port and state in his countrie where he liued, media quod ad though more feared then loued: for the proud arena, non fuit hoc artis fed miser seldome lives to be inheritour of a friend: but pletatis opus.

Martial in Epi. afterward his mifery was most apparently known in Amphythe. by his defolate house, as vnacquainted with hospitality as an vsurers heire with frugalitie, hauing onely a case for a man, a blew-coate I meane without a man, a shadow without a substance. In this Satyre next enfuing is described the miserable nature of fuch, as notwithstanding their outward port, glorying of more then euer their vnworthie minds could reach to, be the very pictures and *Ideas* of *mifery*, as I may well call them: where *It is a great* fhame for a man defire of having fo much overfwayes them, as to have a poore care of reputation lightly moues them. This Ar-purse. gument is short, for the Satyre will shew her owne meaning without any further illustration.

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THE TENTH SATYRE.

Aurus * a Iustice rich, but poore in mind, (Riches make rich-men poore through miserie,) Had long time liu'd as one in hold confin'd, With gates close-shut from hospitalitie:

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* Cornua Vibrando, nescit fua cornua Taurus; Whereto it was shrewdly answe-Cornua dum cernit, retrahit fua cornua Taurus.

Meanes

Meanes without men he had him to attend, Lest what he spar'd his Retinue should spend.

One time a Traueller chanc'd to repaire
To Taurus house, to quench his vehement thirs,
But he poore man could find no comfort there:
Drinke could he get none, if his heart should burst;
Men he saw none, nor ought to cheare his want,
Saue a * Blew-coate without a cognisant.

* Signa dat Hofpitij, fed habentur in Hospitis vmbram.

* As quicke conceits will passions best allay.

The Traueller conceited in distresse,
Straight thus discours'd, his * passion to allay:
This Institute is a Serving-man I guesse,
Who leaves his coate at home when he's away:
Therefore I was decein'd and did amisse,
To seeke a Institute where a blew-coate is.

But as the Traueller went on his way, He met the Iustice in a ragged suite, Who in a Bench-like fashion bad him stay, Saying—He ought a Iustice to salute: The man at first perplex'd, and now awake, Tooke heart of grace, and did this answer make.

Sir, if I have forgotten my regard
Vnto your place, forgive my ignorance,
My eye could not difcerne you, till I heard
Your felfe report your owne preeminence,
Whose name is Terror, and whose awfull breath,
Is messenger of furie, and of death.

And great I hear's endowments you possesse, But worthie greater then you do enioy, Witnesse your open house, which doth expresse The care you have your fortunes to employ In bounties fervice: your good beere doth show it, Being kept so well, as none can come vnto it.

Taurus he stamp'd, cald his attendants knaues, And so he might, for none could be offended, Where art thou Tom (quoth he) Iack, George, out Faining their voyces, All shall be amended. (slaues, Then answers he himselfe, Let none depart, But entertaine all with a chearefull heart.

The Traueller though he conceived all,
Seem'd to admire the bountie of the place,
Till th'badge-leffe coate that hung within the hall,
Forc'd him to laugh the Iustice in the face.
Why doest thou laugh (quoth he?) I laugh to note,
For want of men, what feruic's in a coate.



The Argument.

Caudius a Romane, for his approued honefly respected for the most part, gained no lesse E 2 good

good opinion with the Confcript fathers in the Senate-house, then popular loue in the Citie: for his grauitie was fuch, as none could detect him of the least imputation, having alwayes in the whole course of his pleading such pithie, sententious, and felect discourse, that it yeelded no leffe admiration to the hearers, then a generall estimation to himselfe, at that time reputed one of the hopefullest young Orators: but most especially for his deuotion and religion to the gods, then, amongst the Romans adored and worship-This Claudius after this generall report and good liking which all had of him, vpon a folemne night appointed for the facrifizing to * Mars in behalfe of a battell which was to be made against a Prince of Numidia, (in which holy rites there were appointed Augurs for the coniecturing of these things) seeing the opportunitie of the Augures absence, renewed the familiaritie which he of long time had with one of the Augures wives. Now the Augur having left behind him his Ofcines or Prophesing birds (a neglect of such importance as it discouered his owne shame,) came to his house where he detected Claudius, who had long * time counterfeited puritie.

* Et festa solennia Martis, vid. Varr. & Ouid. de fast.

THE ELEVENTH SATYRE.

Laudius is pure, abiuring prophane things, Nor will he companie with wickedneffe: He hates the fource whence leud affections springs, He'le not consent with deeds of naughtinesse:

is betrayed by a blacke colour which he cafleth out to couer her, fo these counterfets by the cloud of a pretended holinesse, which hall be a cloud of wilnesse against them.

* The fish Sepia

Yet he will deale, so none do see his sinne, Yea though heavens eyes he cares not looke on him.

He will not speake vnto a Maide in th's freete, Lest his repute should fall vnto decay: Yet if they two in private chance to meete, He in a pure embrace will bid her stay. Saying: I will instruct thee prettie Nan, How thou shalt be a formall Puritan.

Then drawes he forth to move the Maids affection, The forc'd description of their puritie, How he and she be children of election, And must be fau'd what ere the wicked be. For vices are tearm'd vertues, where we make Lust but an Act for Procreation sake.

What then are Maids, thus he induceth her, But Virgins still that do impart their love, To fuch an * One as is their furtherer In holy zeale, and can the spirit move? Nought lesse but more, for there's a heavie væ, Or curse denounc'd on them that barren be.

* Vt prurit vrit.

Cloze then in filence, eyes of men are shut, None can detect vs, but the eyes of heaven, And when we act, those lights are sealed vp, For vnto vs more libertie is given Then vnto others, since the very name, Of lust is chang'd when thirighteous vse the same.

* Hypocrifis duplex est malum, diffimulatio & peccatum.

Thou * hypocrite, whose counterfeited zeale, Makes thee feeme godly to the worelds eye, Yet doest the golden fruites of Vesta steale, When thou perceives no man thy fins doth spie. Leave this diffembled zeale, for thou art knowne The wickedst sinner, when thy inside's showne.

The Argument.

He Historie of *Phyloxenus* is most amply related in the diverfe writings of fundrie authenticke Authors, being infamous for his greedie defire vnto meate and drinke, and therefore as is testified of him, * Gruis collum sibi dari optabat, vt cibum potuma maiori cum delectatione caperet. Phyloxenus and that rauenous Heliogabalus shall Temple together, be the subjects of this ensuing Satyre, touching or rather concluding the condition of all Epicures in thefe two. If thou that readest me be touched, as tainted Hernes, that the with this particular finne, blush, but do not shew thy paffion towards the poore Satyre, for Bee-like fhe hath no fooner stung thee, then she loseth her power of being further reuenged of thee. for making their Wage not warre against a dead Monument, since Plinie warnes thee: Cum mortuis nil nisi laruas luclari. Take therefore this Satyre in good part, and rather fret against thy selfe, in that thou hast matter in thee fit for a Satyrists subject, then vent thy **fplene**

* Aristotle mocking the Epi-cures, said, that rpon a time they went all to a befeeching the would give them necks as long as Cranes and pleasure and taste of meate might be more long in relishing: complaining a gainst Nature

fplene towards him, who makes thy defects the effects of his subject.

THE TWELFTH SATYRE.

Phyloxenus lookes lanke with abstinence:
Poore man I pittie him, I thinke he's ficke;
No, this his feeming is a false pretence,
The greedie Cormorant will each thing licke:
Whose drum-stretch'd case can scarce his guts containe nor aire might.
Since he hath got the gullet of a Crane.

* Like those wn stable of which since stable subjects the elutions.

Thou thinkes there is no pleasure but in feeding, dewoured in a drame his wife, Making thy felfe, * flaue to thy appetite;

Yet whilest thou crams thy felfe, thy soule is bleeding, in the same bed, and Turtle-like mournes, that thou shouldst delight, In such excesses a causeth insamie,

Starues soule, spoiles health, and ends with beggarie.

Remember (thou befott'd) for I must talke, And that with serious passion, thou that * tasts The choycest wines, and doest to Tauernes walke, Where thou consumes the night in late repass. Consusion now, drawes neare thee where thou kneeles, Drinking deepe healthes, but no contrition feeles.

* Like those vnsatiable gluttons Vitellius and Appius, to which Cormorants neither land, water, be Sufficient. And Cambletes the gluttonous king of Lydia deuoured in a dreame his wife, while she lay Reeping together and finding her hand betweene his teeth when he awaked, he slue himselfe, fearing dishonour.

* Well described by that Motto. Non citius edit quam excedit; pactit & poscit. * Elpenors vice. vid. Geor. Virg. Silenus in Antro.

It may be, He that teacheth may be taught,
And * Socrates of Sostenes may learne,
Euen He, that for thy good these precepts brought,
To publicke light, may in himselfe discerne
Something blameworthie, true, and heaven he could,
Resorme his errors rightly as He would.

* Socraticum fpeculum non chalibæum & materiale. vid. Brafiuo. in præfatione.

But harder is't by much for to performe, Then to prescribe, where many seeme to vrge, The present times abuse, but n'ere resorme Those crimes in them which they in others scourge: But where the Author makes vse of his paines, As well as Reader, there's a double gaines.

And there are th'gaines which I do fue to have, Seeking no leffe thy benefit herein, Then my peculiar good: where all I crave, Is but thy prayer to purge me of my finne. I do not write, as I my paines would fell, To every Broker, when and farewell.

Nam inepto rifu res nulla ineptior eft. Finis Satyrarum. Catull.

An end of the Satyres composed by the foresaid Author in the discharge of Natures Embassie: purposely penned to reclaime man, whose vicious life promising an vnhappie end, must now be taxed more sharply, since vice comes to greatest growth through impunitie.



A CONCLVSIVE

ADMONITION TO THE READER.

F any man shall reade, and making wfe Of these my Satyres, grow distemperate, By making of a good intent abuse, In that I seeme his life to personate; Let him content himselfe, be it good or ill,

Let him content himfelfe, be it good or ill, Gall'd horfes winch, and I must gall him still.

A Satyrist ought to be most fecure, Who takes exception at his cancred style, And he that most repines, let him be fure, That he's the man whom Satyres most reuile. Therefore who would be free from Satyres pen, Ought to be Mirrors in the sight of men.

Thefe two months travell like the Almond rod, May bring forth more when oportunitie Giveth fit time, wherein vice loath'd by God, May be displaide, and curb'd more bitterly. Till which edition, take thefe in good part, Or take them ill, how-ere, they glad my heart.

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HERE FOLLO-

WETH SOME EPYCEDES

or funerall Elegies, concerning fundry exquisite Mirrours of true loue.

The Argument.



Wo louely louers so deuided be,

As one to other hardly can repaire,

In Sestos she, and in Abydos he,

He swims, she waits & weeps, both drowned are:

Waues cut off *Heroes* words, the Sea-nimphs mone, One heart in two desires, no graue but one.

I. ELEGIE.

H Ero was willing to Leanders fuite, But yet Leanders opportunitie Could not be fo, as answers his repute: Lust sometime weares the robe of modestie: Silent he woes, as bashfull youths must do, By sighs, by teares, and kissing comfits too.

But what are thefe where fancie feated is, But lures to loofe desires, sin-sugred baits, That draw men onward to sooles paradice, Whose best of promises are but deceits?

And

And fuch Leanders were, meere golden dreames, That leave the waking fenses in extreames.

But love flame-like, though it restrained be,
Will still ascend, and so it far'd with him:
For now he cries, Hero I come to thee,
And though I cannot run, yet I will swim,
Where, while I swim, send thy sweet breath but hither,
And Zephire-like it will soone wast me thither.

Hero remaineth on the floting shore, Waiting the blest arrivall of her friend, But she (poore she) must never see him more, Seeing him end before his iourney end: In whose hard sate a double death appeares, Drownd in the sea, and in his Heroes teares.

Still she laments, and teares her forlorne haire, Exclaming 'gainst the fates, whose crueltie Had chang'd her hope-rest fortune to despaire, Abridging lone, true loners libertie; But since its so (quoth she) the wanes shall have, More then by right or instict they can crave.

With that she leapt into the curled floud,
And as she leapt, she spake vnto the wave,
Remorcelesse thou (quoth she) that stain'd his bloud,
Shall now receive two lovers in one grave.
For fit it is, who living had one heart,
Should have one grave, and not inter'd apart.

Yet in my death I do invoke the Powers,
Which do frequent this wofull River side,
That they adore and decke our Tombe with flowers,
Where ere our love-exposed corps abide.
And if they aske where they shall find our graves,
Let them looke downe into these surging waves.

And I intreate my friends they do not weepe, In that we are departed to our reft, Sweete reft, may Hero fay, when in her fleepe She clips Leander whom she loved best: She lou'd him best indeed, for she did crave To be enhearsed with him in one wave.

This was no fooner spoke, but raging streames, Cut off poore Heroes speech, and with their force, Clos d her in silence, while each Nimph complains, And chides the River for his small remorfe. Thus ended they, their ends were their content, Since for to die in Loue, their minds were bent.

Let not fond love fo fondly thee embrace, Left like the Ivie or the Miffelto, It winde about thee to thy owne difgrace, And make thee flave to brutish passions too. Be constant in thy love, as chast not spotted, Love well and long, but not in love besotted.



The Argument.

Ouers consent finds fit place of recourse,
For Loues content chang'd into discontent,
King Ninus tombe their sconce or sorrows source,
To which a dreadfull Lyonesse is sent:
Which Thisbe spies and flies: her bloudie tyre,
Bereaues her Loue of life, and both expire.

II. ELEGIE.

Where we shall have fruition of our ioy,
By Ninus tombe, farre from our parents face,
Where mutuall Love needs little to be coy:
Where met, we may enioy that long-fought pleafure,
Which Love affoords, when Love vnlocks her treafure.

Thisbe was mute, in being mute she yeelded, Who knowes not Maides, by silence give consent? So on her silence her affent was builded, Since in his love she plac'd her fole content; Onward he goes most forward to obtaine, That which she wish'd, but Parents did restraine.

And coming nigh vnto king Ninus Tombe, Erected neare a Christall riveling, There as she mus'd a Lion sterce did come Forth of the grove, whence he his prey did bring.

Who

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Who all embrude with flaughter and with bloud, Came for to quench his thirst at that same shoud.

Thisbe perceiving this enraged beast,
Fled for her refuge to a hollow tree,
Yet she for hast, what she suspected least,
Let fall her Tire, and to her shelfe did slee;
Where in the shade while she affrighted stood,
The Lion tinet her virgine-tire with blood.

And having now well drench'd his bloudie iawes, Making returne vnto his shadie den, Young Pyramus for to observe loves lawes, (Loves lawes must needs be kept) did thither tend, And coming neare, her could he not espie, But her vnhappie Tire di'd bloudily.

Which he no fooner with his eyes beheld, Then he exclaim'd against his destinie, Since Thisbe was by his request compeld, To be a pray to Lions cruelty: And taking vp the bloud-besmeared Tire, Amintas-like his end he doth conspire.

Yet fore his end in difmall fort he cried, Fie on the fates, that did poore Thisbe kill, Fie on those ruthlesse gods that have decreed, Wilde savage beasts her crimson bloud to spill; But why do I stand arguing with sate, Lamenting ore her breathlesse corps too late? For if thou lou'd her, shew thy loue in this
Lost, to regaine her presence by thy death;
Death, which hath left thee this poore Tire to kiffe,
On which I'le breath and kiffe, and kiffe and breath:
Farewell my loue, if Piramus did loue thee,
Hê'le shew his loue, his loue shall be aboue thee.

Strike home (fond man) and do not feare grim death, But meete him in the mid-way to thy graue; For Thisbes love I gladly lofe my breath, And that is all that Thisbe now can have: And with this fpeech, deepe griefe cut off his word, He flue himselfe with his owne difmall fword.

Thisbe long trembling in her hollow Caue, Came forth at last to meete her dearest love. How apt is love the chastest to deprave, Making a ravenous Vultur of a Dove; Wherefore in haste she hies her to the spring, Where she might heare a dolefull Sylvane sing.

And to receive the forrow more at large,
Nigher she drew vnto that mournfull tune,
Where like a merchant in a splitted barge,
She stood amaz'd, and standing listned one.
Sorting his griefe vnto her deare friends griefe;
Whom she sought out, to yeeld her some reliefe.

Good Siluane say (thus spake she) having sound him, Did'st see a youth coast neare this darkesome way? For much I feare, some sauage beast hath wound him, If thou canst guide me to him, pray thee say:

Here

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Here is the Tombe where he appointed me, To flay for him, yet him I cannot fee.

Virgin (quoth he) that youth you feeke is gone; Whither (kind Silvane?) I will after him, He shall not leave me in this wood alone, For trust me Silvane I have frighted bin, And by a dreadfull Lion so beset, As I am hardly my owne woman yet.

See Ladie, fee; with that he vanished,
To waile the losse of Nais he had kept,
Who by a Centaure lately rauished,
Was quite conveyd away while th'Silvane slept.
She turnes her eye, yet scarce will trust her eye,
No, nor the place where she doth see him lye.

Dead! why it cannot be, thus she began,
Who could harme thee that nere did any harme,
No not in thought to any living man?
With that she felt his pulse if it were warme,
But breathlesse he, key-cold as any stone,
She lookes and weepes, and bathes him looking on.

Yet long it was ere she could shed a teare, For greatest grieues are not by teares exprest, Deepe-rooted sorrowes greatest burden beare, Kept most in heart, but showne in eye the least. For lesser grieues have eyes to bring them forth, But greatest still are strangled in their birth.

Griefe therefore doth rebound, and with rebound She shakes her Piramus and strokes his cheeke: Loue was all eares, for he did heare her found, And mou'd his head from ground, but could not speake; Yet did he hold her hand, as if her hand Staid Deaths arrest, and could him countermand.

And as a man who ship-wrack'd on the Sea, Not able to endure vnto the Port, Takes hold on wracke, which He as constantly Keepes in his hand, as he did labour for't: From which, no danger what soere betide him, Nor death it selfe can any way deuide him.

Euen fo did Piramus keepe in his armes, The choifest body of his chastest love, Whereby he thinkes himselfe so free from harmes, As die he cannot till he thence remove: Yet though it's death to him, since Thisbe would, He is contented to let go his hold.

This feene, (fayes Thisbe) fince thy love is fuch, That to devide thy felfe from thine owne love, To thee's a fecond death or harder much, And mou'd by me thy hold thou doest remove; Ere long will Thisbe shew her felfe to thee, An equal Mirror of loves constance.

Yet do I pray those friends who are coniouned To vs in Bloud, to take of vs compassion, That as our Loues, our corpes may be combined, With funerall rites after our countrie fashion:

And

And when to ashes they our corps shall burne, Let both our drearie ashes have one vrne.

Let both our graves (poore graves) be ioyn'd in one, As both our hearts were linked in one twist: And let our corps be cover'd with one stone. So may our bones fo neerely ioyn'd be blift; For gods this privaledge to lovers give, When others die by death, in death they live.

By this young Thisbes speech was finished, Who was as wearie to enioy her life, As a loofe Matron of her husbands bed, Or a young spend-thrift of his long-liu'd wife: Euen fo was Thisbe, whom death did afford, Though not fame hand to kill, yet felfe-fame fword.

But yet some Plant is still affectionate, Vnto a Louers death, whose constancie Neuer doth alter from her wonted state, But perseueres in stedfast certaintie: For th' Mulberrie, feeing them Mourners lacke, Milke-white before put on a fable blacke.

Morus thus altred in her former hue, Changing her colour for the death of Loue, Hath to this day her mourning-weed to shew; Well might they move vs then, when they did move The fenfleffe trees, who did fo truly grieue, As for their fake they would their colour leave.



The Argument.

He losse of *Didoes* honour and her loue,
Are both bemon'd: *Anna* but all in vaine,
Seekes to recomfort her: she seemes to proue
No faith in strangers: she dissolues her traine:
Incense is burn'd; a fire she doth deuise,
Wherein she makes her selfe the sacrifice.

III. ELEGIE.

DIdo lamenting, that Æneas should So soone convert his love to bitter hate, The thought whereof surpast a thousand fold, The losse of Scepter, honour, or estate: Curseth the hap she had to entertaine, Or give such harbour to a thanklesse Swaine.

Yet do not so (quoth she,) he's generous, Sprong from the Troian stocke and Progenie: Curse him not Dido, it were ominous To his proceedings and his dignitie; He did requite thy love, thou knowst devoutly, And did performe his Turnaments as stoutly.

Sweete was the Pleafure, though the fruite be fower, Deare his embraces, kind his fauours too, Witneffe that Bower (aye me) that rose Bower, In which heaven knowes, and few but heaven do know,

I gag'd my heart to him, he his to me, Which makes me ty'd in faith how ere he be.

And he protested, Simple woman, thou
To credit what a stranger had protested:
For what is he that lives, and will not do
As much or more, till he hath fully feasted
His eager Appetite, which being allaid,
He streight forgets the promise he hath made?

And so did he, respectifesse of his vow,
Or (breach of faith) which whatsoere he thinke,
Will be revens'd by Heaven, and sharply too,
Gods do not ever sleepe when they do winke.
For though they spare, They will at last strike home,
And send Revenge to th'infant in my wombe.

Poore Orphane Infant, whose iniurious birth,
As closely done, shall closely be suppressed,
And have a double Mother, Mee and Earth,
And for thy Fathers sake a double chest:
Whose Tombe shall be my wombe, whose drerie shrowd,
Shall be my felse, that gave it life and food.

This as she spake, her Sister she came in, Aduising her vnto a milder course, Then to afflict her selfe with thought of him Whose heart was rest of pittie and remorse; Wherefore (said she) since sorrow is in vaine, Forget his absence, that will salue your paine.

Will falue my paine (quoth she!) and then she gron'd,

Cures

Cures to apply is easier then to cure:
No, no, my sorrowes may be well bemon'd,
But nere redrest: for th'eye of heau'n's too pure,
To view my sinne, my soile, my guilt, my staine,
Whose die's so deepe 'twill nere be white againe.

Yet to prevent the scandall would ensue,
If same should know what hath in private bene,
I'le lop this Branch, lest Time should say, it grew
(Adulterate Issue) from the Carthage Queene:
Which ere I do, lest I incurre heavens hate,
With Incense burn'd, their wrath I'le expiate.

Wherewith I'le purge (if fuch may purged be)
The fact I did, which grieues me that I did,
Staining my honour with his periurie,
Which gods do fee, though it from man be hid:
For this (deare sister) build me here a fire,
To facrifice my shame, appease heavens ire.

Anna, for fo her Sifter hight, doth rere
This fatall pile, preparing all things meete
For fuch a facrifice, as Iuniper,
Spicknarde, and Mirrhe, to make the Incense sweete,
Vnknowne to what her Sister did intend,
Whose faire pretence came to a timelesse end.

Sifter (quoth Dido) now you may be gone, Sweete is Deuotion that is most retir'd, Go you aside, and leave me here alone, Which Anna did as Dido had requir'd: Who now alone with heaven-erected eyes, F 3

Her

Her wofull felfe she makes the facrifice.

Anna retir'd, did heare her Sister shrike, With which at first affrighted, she made haste, To see th'euent, the sight whereof did strike Such a distraction in her, as it past The bounds of Nature, where experience tries, More forrow's in the heart then in the eyes.

At last her eyes long shut unsealed were,
To eye that mournfull Obiect, now halfe turn'd
To mouldred ashes, for it did appeare,
As halfe were scorch'd, the other halfe were burn'd:
Which seene, she cries, and turnes away her sight,
Black woe betide them that such guests inuite.

Of Didoes honour, reares a Princely shrine, The like whereof that Age could neuer show, Nor any Age, till * Artemisias time: On which was this engrauen: Loue was my loffe, Rich was my Crowne, yet could not cure my crosse.

Anna thus left alone, yet mindfull too,

* Wife to Maufolus king of Caria. vid. Plutar. in Apotheg.

Thus Dido did, who was not much vnlike
Vnto the Countriman who nourished
The * dead-staru'd Viper, that vngratefull snake,
Who reft him life, that it had cherished:
So Dido the whole fall my Muse regites

* Latet Anguis in herba.

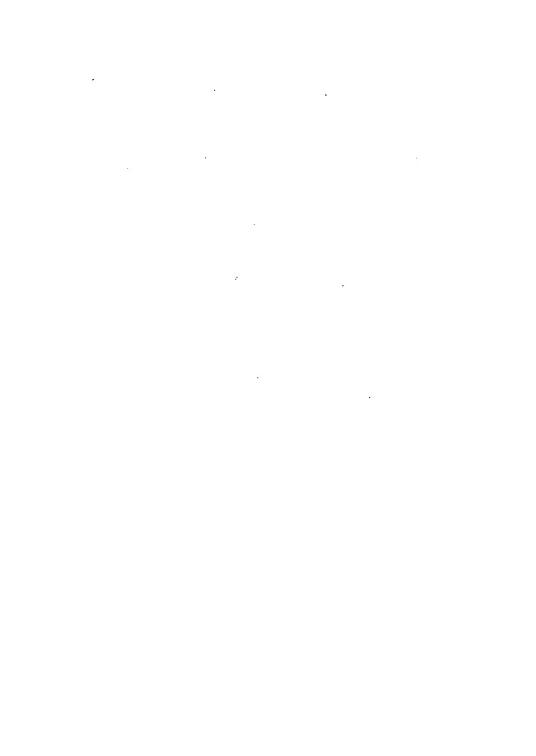
Nec Hospes ab Hospite tutus. So Dido she, whose fall my Muse recites, Lies slaine by him, whom she in love invites.

AN ELEGIE VPON THESE ELEGIES.

Et fond Leander warne thee, to remaine Vpon the River banke in safetie:
Let Piramus rash sast thy hand restraine,
Too deare costs Love, mix'd with such crueltie:
Lastly, let Dido warne thee by her end,
To trie that Guest thou makes thy bosome friend.

Venit amor grauius quo ferius vrimur intus, Vrimur, & cæcum pectora vulnus habent.

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THE SECOND SECTION OF

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With

AN ADIVNCT VPON THE PRECEDENT; WHEREBY THE Argument with the first cause of publishing these Satyres, be euidently related.

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rous studies, S. W. C. Knight, R. B.

His affectionate Country-man wisheth the increase of all honour, health, and happinesse.



IR,
When I had compos'd these ragged lines,
Much like the Beare who brings
her young ones forth,
In no one part well featur'd, she
repines,

That fuch a lumpe of flesh should have a birth: Which to reforme, she's faid to vndertake A fecond taske, and licks them into shape.

So I producing these vnriper seedes, Scarce growne to their persection, knew not how, (Since different humour, different censure breeds) How they should come to ripenesse, but by you:

Whofe

Whose faire acceptance may such count'nance show, As you may others move to grace them too.

Nor do I doubt but these shall purchase grace, 'Mongst such as honour vertue, for how low So'ere the style be, Subject is not base, But full of Divine matter; and I know, The Sunne gives life, as well to simple weeds, As vnto slowers or other fruitfull seeds.

Yours in all faithfull Observance,

Richard Brathwayte, Mujophylus.

Vpon the Dedicatorie.

Though he (and happie he) bereft by fate, To whom I meant this worke to dedicate, This shall find shelter in his living name, He's chang'd indeed, but I am still the same.

The

CONTRACTOR CONTRACTOR

The Argument.

Of Elpenor an Epicure, living sensually in a Caue, respectlesse of the soules eternitie.

Lpenor, who long time living (as the Dormouse) in the caue of senfualitie and securitie, rested carelesse of a suture blessing, as one ravished with the present delight of carnall libertie, became at last

restrained by the vertuous edict of a gracious Emperour; by whom he was exiled and banished, not onely from the Princes Court, but from the vtmost coasts of Arcadia wherein he lived. Now it chanced, that during fuch time as he remained in Cadmos, a Satyrist of no lesse respect then approued grauitie, well obseruing the impietie of Elpenor, as also the deserved censure which his Epicureall life had incurred; endeuoured to describe his condigne fall, with no leffe pregnancie of wit, and maturitie of judgement, then a fetled feuerity in reprehension of his godlesse opinions: which Description he fixed (as may be imagined) vpon the Portall gate, where he might of necessitie fee his owne impietie as in a glaffe transparent, perspicuously demonstrated. What discontent he conceiued in the displaying of his owne shame, may be coniectured by the subject of this Inuection, taxing him of his infamous life, the onely occasion of his obscure end: whose fortunes were aforetime most eminent, now most dejected.

Et quanta est infalicitas, fuisse falicem, &-c? Boæthius.

THE FIRST SATYRE.

E Lpenor groueling in his duskie caue,
Secure of God or Gods high providence,
Nought but luxurious dishes seemes to crave,
To fatissie the appetite of sence.
He spurnes at heaven, contemnes all supreme power,
Priding in that will perish in an houre.

God is of no respect with Epicures, Senceleffe of of heaven or minds tranquilitie, Senceleffe of Hell, which evermore endures, Glad to receive earths ioyes fatietie: Where rapt with Obiects of deceiving Pleasure, They live to sin, but to repent at leasure.

Is not that Statue (fay Elpenor) thine,
With eyes-inflam'd and palfie-shaking hand,
Vpon whose forehead's writ, Abuse of time?
I know it is, for I do see it stand
Neare Baccus shrine, where either drinkes to other,
Healths to Eryca, their lasciuious Mother.

Where Syren voyces fo apply the eare, With an affected melodie, that earth

Might

Might a phantasticke Paradise appeare, Through consort of an universall mirth, Which these inchanting harmonists did use, To th'wofull friends of wandring Ithacus.

But who is He that feemes to challenge thee, Yet flaggers in his challenge? O I know him, It's Hans the Dutch-man, new arriv'd from Sea, Stand fast Elpenor, if thou'lt overthrow him. But why enioyne I that thou canst not do, Halfe of a stand were well betwixt you two.

And much I doubt, lest Cripple-like you grow,
So long it is, as it is out of mind,
Since you were seene by any man to go,
Which makes me heare your legs are hard to find:
For vse brings on Persection, and I seare
Your dropsie-legs are out of vse to beare.

See thou vnweldy wretch, that fatall shelfe,
To which thou art declining, being growne
A heavie vselesse burthen to thy selfe,
In whom no glimpse of vertue may be showne:
A Barmie leaking vessell (which in troth)
For want of reason is fill'd vp with froth.

Aged Turpilio grones at mispent time, Wishing he had his youth to passe againe: For then He would not vset as thou doest thine, But mone the houres which He hath spent in vaine. But Time runs on, and will not make returne, When Death succeeds, whom no man can adiourne.

And

And feeft thou this, and wilt thou not prouide
For Deaths arrest, whose sad approch will be
So full of horror, as thou scarce shalt bide,
So grim he is, that He should looke on thee?
And yet He will, for he no diffrence makes,
Twixt rich and poore, but whom He likes he takes.

Thy Prince thou feeft, whose vertues are so pure He cannot breath on vice, hath thee exil'd, Forth of his royall confines, to secure His Realme the more, lest it should be defil'd By thy deprau'd example, which once stain'd, (So ranke is vice) would hardly be reclaim'd.

Trunke of Confusion, which derives thy being From no supernall effence, for with it,
Thy works, words, motions have but small agreeing,
But from securitie, where thou does sit;
Feeding thy vast-insatiate appetite,
With every day new dishes of delight.

O rouse thy selfe from that obscurest vale, And sing a thankefull Hymne vnto thy Maker, Creepe not vpon thy bellie like the Snaile, But like the Larke mount vp to thy Creator; Adorning thee with reason, sense and sorme, All lost in thee, through want of Grace sorlorne.

Honour doth ill become the flothfull man, Who Zanie-like becomes a flaue to pleafure, For He when vrgent caufes move Him, than Neglects Occasion, and referues that leafure,

Which

Which might have bene employd in cares of state, For his delights, bought at too high a rate.

This thy experience tells thee, whose estate
Once high, now low, made subject to disgrace,
Shewes thou art chang'd from what thou was of late,
Yet to my judgement in a better case:
So thou consider th'state from whence thou came,
And leave that vice which did procure the same.

But doubt I must, (ô that my doubts were vaine)
Such great expence is made of precious time,
As 'twill be much to do to wash the staine
Of that enormious loathsome life of thine.
Yet* Teares have power, and they are soueraigne too, *Sicut nullus eft locus in qu
And may do more then any else can do.

**Sicut nullus eft locus in qu
malum no per

Then comfort take, yet comfort mixe with teares, Thou* Cadmos leaves, and it's thy native foile; Suppose it be, each coast or clime appeares The good-mans wished Country, which blest style, Exceeds all worldly comfort, which thou had, For this is passing good, that passing bad.

I do not fpeake, as those whose guilded breath,
Traines on the vicious with deceiptfull hope;
For I have set before thee life and death,
And this I aim'd to make my chiefest scope:
That if reward of life could no way gaine thee,
The feare of death & vengeance might reclaime thee.

Life as a Crowne or Diadem is due,

* Sicut nullus eff locus in quo malum no perpetratur, ita nullus fit locus in quo de malo pernitentia non agatur. * Cadmos a hill by Laodicea out of which iffueth the River Lycus, it taketh this name from Cadmus fonne to Agenor king of Phamicia.

To fuch whose wayes are not in Error led,
Death as a guerdon doth to such accrue,
Whose carnall hearts with pleasures captived,
Thinke not on Death, till Death his slag display,
And now secure shall take their life away.

Turne then vnto the coast of Arcadie,
From whence thou wast exil'd, and there survey
The vertues of that Prince did banish thee,
And weigh the cause why there thou might not stay:
Which done, seeke to regaine thy Princes love,
But chiesty His, that is thy Prince above.



The Argument.

Ornelia wife to Pompey, surnamed the Great, after her husbands ouerthrow in Pharfalia, slaine within short time after by the procurement of Septimius in the kingdome of Egypt; became much distressed with the discomfort of her losse, and the forrowfull issue of his death. Which is as passionately expressed by Lucan in Pompeies expostulation with Cornelia his beloued Ladie, —Quid perdis tempora lustus Cornelia thus deprived of all assistants save Teares (forrowes hereditarie treasures) for the better reliefe of her estate (the poore remainder of her fortunes) sued out a petition vnto the Emperour Cassar, whose royall

royall clemency (as fhe thought) could not choose but take pittie on the wise, whose husband was become a bootie to his Conquest. But how reasonable soeuer her demands were, it skilled not, for by the corrupt and indirect dealing of Calius and Tuberculus she was resisted. The Satyrist therefore in deploring of Cornelia's miserie, and inueying against the two Courtiers corruption, morally dilateth on the desolate estate of a forlorne widdow, and the sinister practises of corrupt Aduocates.

THE SECOND SATYRE.

Pompey the Great no fooner was interr'd,
But poore Cornelia his distressed wife,
To her deceassed Lords estate preferr'd,
Was drawne by Consul Asper into strife:
And so opprest by hote pursuite of soes,
That she devoid of friends was fraught with woes.

She, wofull she, lest she should lose her state,
Makes meanes to * Cælius to preferre her suite,
Which he's content to do, but at such rate,
As 'twill cost deare to bring the cause about:
Yet she remedilesse, to worke her peace,
Stood not much on't, but did the Courtier please.

* A prodigall Courtier, but in great fauour with Cæfar.

Cælius possest of his iniurious fee, Which he consum'd in riotous expence, Forgot the widdows cause dishonestlie, Without remorse or touch of conscience:

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For vnderhand (as Courtiers vfe to do) He takes a private bribe of Asper too.

Cornelia now in hope of good fuccesse, Comes vnto Cælius as her purchas'd friend, And humbly craves to know what's her redreffe, Or in what fort her fuite is like to end: Where He as strangely answers her demand, And fay's, her fuite came never to his hand.

with gold.

No fuite! (thus did this Matron streight reply) Instice may be O Rome where is thy * Instice now enthron'd, otly compared Thou that didst vse to heare a widdow crie, taineth her ver. And right her cause as thou her wrongs bemon'd! tue no longer then it is rubbed But spare Cornelia, what reliefe can come Fro corrupt Courts, where gold makes Confuls dumbe?

> If my much-honor'd Lord, whose Country love Reft him of breath, should fee this present time, How gifts can limit Iustice, would't not moue His Royall spirit, seeing me and mine, Whose onely comfort's this, we may repose, And ioy in this, we have no more to lose?

his overthrow.

Whilest wrong'd Cornelia sat thus pensively, * One of especiall *Tuberculus a Courtier past that way, esteeme with Who in compassion of her missers. Knowne to her felfe not to her grieues, did stay; For generous minds are never more exprest, Then in applying comfort to th'distrest.

Ladie (quoth he) if I could eafe your griefe,

The love I owe vnto your familie,

Me thinks might promise to your selfe reliefe,

Impart them then, what ere your sorrowes be:

Cures have bene wrought where little was expected,

For where the mind is willing, ought's effected.

She hearing him so vertuously inclin'd,
Prone vnto pittie, sighing did declare,
How that her sonne young Pompey was confin'd,
Which was the greatest subject of her care:
Whom if He would make meanes for to release,
The current of her sorrowes soone would ceasse.

Sext. Pompe.

Another fuite I have, which Asper moves, To force me from my right of widdowhood, Wherein his worser cause the better proves, For* mightie men can hardly be withstood: In these I must intreate your Lordships care, In lieu whereof I'le gratise with prayer.

Tuberculus did answer her demands, But he expected * ointment, and delaying, To give her further comfort, there He stands, He for his see, she for her cause stood praying. Cornelia well perceiving what He would, Good gods (quoth she) is Iustice wholly sould?

How do you meane (quoth he) it is our meanes, Could we be thus enameld every day, Or in fuch port maintaine our fauning friends, If we received not profit by delay? No Ladie, no, who in these dayes do live, * Inimicitiæ
potentum violentæ Senec.

* Like Verconius
in the time of
Alexander Seuerus, who pretending familiaritie with the
Emperour, tooke
mens mony for
preferring their
fuites, abufed
them, & did them
no good at all: at
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the people.
Lamprid. in
Seu. Verco.

And

And would have Iustice, must not sticke to give.

Thus was Cornelia croft, her meanes prevented, No comfort now remaining faue despaire; Wherefore (perforce) she rests hope-rest, contented To lose the sight of her consined heire, Who lives restrain'd: Asper her state hath got, And poore Cornelia with her cause forgot.



The Argument of Lucian.

Vcian a professed enemy to Christ, detracting much from the deuine & fole-healthfull Mysteries of our Redemptio, wherby he became odious to the all-feeing veritie; chanced to trauell for delight, (as one of generall observation) into forraine places: where (as heauens just doome would haue it) he was worried by dogs, as a iust reward for his impious and egregious contempt towards God; reuiling that all-feeing Maiestie of Christ with the facred office of his Ministers, and like a fnarling or biting Curre, barking at the admirable and ineffable workes which were wrought by Gods omnipotencie: for which cause God accordingly punished him. A remarkable spectacle to all enfuing ages, concluding emphatically with the Satyrist.

Ingeniofus

Ingeniofus erat, fuperum fed acerrimus hostis, At canis est fuperum tempore præda canum. Wittie, but foe to God, who long in vaine, Barking at God, by barking currs was slaine. The Satyre followeth, Morally applyed.

THE THIRD SATYRE.

Ngenious Lucian, ripe in poesse,
Apt to compose, and pregnant to invent,
Well read in secrets of Phylosophie,
And in all Morall knowledge excellent;
For all these rarer parts vnto him given,
Ceas'd not to * barke against the power of heaven.

In vit. Luci.

* Ifti latrant non mordent, non nocent : August.

This fnarling Gurre, for he detracted God,
As profest enemie to pietie,
Chanced to trauell, where Gods irefull rod
Made him a witneffe to posteritie; (power,
For this fame * wretch who bark'd against heavens
Did barking currs (fuch was heavens doome) devoure.

(power, * Thus as he bareauens Kd againft the God of heauen, To barking currs he for a prey was giuen.

Soile to his foule, and fo to Christs profession,
For He no Christ profest, but thought't a scorne
That God made man, from God should have comission,
Without mans helpe to be of Virgin borne:
Yet see his fall, who did himselfe deceive,
Vnpitied dies, and dying ha's no grave.

What's Sions peace (fayes He) there's no fuch place; The Atheists o-Earth hath her Sion, if we ayme our care At any other Mansion, it's a chase So fruitlesse, as if we should beate the ayre, Or plant our hope in things which cannot be, And fuch's our trust in fained Deitie.

Thou vglie vifard, that with faire pretence Of Morall discipline shadowes thy sin, Reclaime thy felfe by timely penitence, And loath that horrid Caue thou wallowest in: Thy fin's deep-dide, yet not of that deepe staine, But* Teares & Prayers may make them white againe.

- * Lachrymæ verbis, fuspiria votis immilceantur.
- Anchora cui fpes est innixa, Angularis lapis in quem funda-
- *θρόνος τῆς ήδονης.
- No Refuge nor no Recluse for thy hope? Behold thy Iefus he's thy corner stone, Make him thy ayme, thy fuccour, shelter, scope, And he'le receive thee in the * Throne of bleffe, The boundleffe Ocean of all happineffe.

Hast thou no * Anchor to relie vpon?

Returne thou wicked Lucian, make thy verfe Thy* Retractation, be not overbold, Lest when good-men shall view thy forlorne hearse, In thy reproch they cause this to be told To after-ages: Here he lies interr'd, Who * erring knew, and in his knowledge err'd.

perite tractat vulnera, Qui opera retractat perperam edi-

* Vt medicus,

- * Errando dif-
- * Qualis ergo est ista, quæ tam multa de cæteris nouit, & fe qualiter facta fit prorfus ignorat? August.

Sweete and delightfull * Poems canst thou make, Of Hymen rites, or Venus dalliance, And pleafant feemes the labour thou doest take, While to thy Pipe deluded Louers dance: But in fuch facred measures thou art slow, As teach men how to live, and what to know.

Mirrha

Mirrha the wanton mother of a wanton, Gamesome the Mother and the Daughter too, Giues a fit subject for thy Muse to chant on, Relating what a Louer ought to do; In which lascivious straine, fond Love is brought To hate what's good, but to affect what's naught.

Thou canst report how Romanes ioyned were, First with the Sabines, and what strange delights Tooke their inuention from those feasts were there, Duly folemniz'd on their nuptiall nights; Of Sphinx, Charybdis, Scilla, Ctefiphon, With Prœtus letters against * Bellerophon.

Vid. Tit. Liu. in Dec. 1. & 3. Quid. in faft.

* Who stue the truo monsters Chvmera and Solymos in Ly-

Thefe thou canst feature as Apelles, He The Prince of painters could not better show Their formes, then thou their natures, which may be Portrayers of thy wit and learning too: But what are these but shadowes, if thou move Thy eye to those blest objects are aboue?

Lend but thy eare to aerie warbling Birds, Which day by day sing pleasant madrigals; And thou shalt heare what praise the Larke affoords, Larke. Whilest with sweete Hymnes she on her maker cals, Where each repayes their due in their degree, And much abashd do rest asham'd of thee.

* A laudes dicendo dicitur

The flower which hath no fenfe, nor hath no feeling, Nor apprehends the difference of things, Performes her office in delight of smelling, Likewise the tree most fruitfull blossoms brings:

The

The Serpent, Adder, and each crauling worme, Haue mutuall duties given them with their forme.

* The Pifmire and Locuft (of all other creatures) have no king nor leader. vid. AElian. & Plin. in natur. Hift. The Basiliske the * king of Serpents is,
The Lion of all beasts, the Cedar tree
Is chiefe of Trees, Leuiathan of sish,
And man ore these hath sole supremacie:
Thus every Creature in her severall kind,
Hath severall Lords and limits her assign'd.

Thou Lucian art endu'd with what thefe want, And canst distinguish betwixt good and ill, Yet thou denies what other Creatures grant, And which is worse, thou so continuest still: Thou laughs at Adams sall, and thinks't a shame, Man should auouch an Apple caus'd the same.

Wo worth that fruite that had so bitter taste, Bringing Perdition to the soule of man, That free-borne Creature, which so farre surpast Mans fraile condition when it first began; That was an Apple that too dearely cost, Which made so many soules for ever lost.

If I should Catechife thee Lucian,
And tell the vertue of each severall thing;
How reason first was distribute to man,
And how the earth globe-like in aire doth hing,
The secret grouth of Plants which daily grow,
Yet * how or when no humane sense can know.

* Spicas creuisse cernimus, eas autem quando creuerunt non cernimus. The * Fabrick of the heaven, whose eminence Shewes admiration to vs that behold Her glorious Bodies sacred instuence, Whose distinct Motion, who is't can vnfold? None but the Author and the sounder can, For it exceedes the reach of any man.

* That flarrie Gallerie embost with gold, fretted with orbs of Christall, siluer d ouer, with pearle has d, roosfed with an Agget couer.

If I should question thee, whence these derive
Their proper Motion, it would thee behoove
To yeeld, that some to these do Motion give,
Since what se're moves doth by another move:
Which thou consirmes and adds, nought vnder Sunne
Is done in these, but is by Nature done.

* Holding with Albumayar tha

So thou * referrs that wonderfull Creation, After the Deluge to a mortall wight, Discoursing vainly how Deucalion, Refurnish'd earth which was unpeopled quite; But thou deceived art, it's nothing so, For it was God that gave increase to Noe.

We are his clay, we must confesse his power, He is our Potter, whose deuine command Can dash vs earthen vessels in one b houre, Subiest vnto the iudgement of his hand; For he no sooner shall withdraw his breath, Then Man leaves to be Man, and welcomes death.

Heavens power to which no Mortall can extend, (Not to be argued or disputed on,)
Because it's not in Man to comprehend,
The radiant Splendor of the glorious Sunne:

Albumasar that his leading the children of Ifrael over the Red Sea, was no more but obseruiug the influ-ence of Starres, and waining season of the Moone that withdraweth the tides; and that miraculous issuing of water out of the rocke, by the stroke of a rod was no more but noting those fpring-heads, whereto the wild asses resorted to quench their thirst. b Whom th' morning sees so proudly go, ere euening come may lie full low. Senec.

Much

Much leffe profounder fecrets, which were fram'd, For admiration, not to be prophan'd.

*We have heard of diverfe, exemplarity punished even in that wherein they co-temptuously profaned; as iulian, Herodias, Balshafar, and Thymelicus the entertude plaier; who dancing upon the fcaffold in a Cope (a robe of the Church) fell downe dead. Thymelico faltatori, &c. Vid. Val. Maxi. lib. I. cap. 2.

*We have heard *Prophan'd, if nam'd without due reverence, of diverse, exemplarity punished To that Supreme all-working Maiestie, even in that To that Supreme all-working Maiestie, even in that To Whose Palme containes this Earths circumference, temptroughy profaned; as I ulian, Whose praise takes accent from heavens Hierarchie. Herodias, Ballet not, O let not him who gave man tongue, shalar, and Thymelicus the enTo yeeld him praise, for silence make it dumbe.

Thou canst compose a song of Shepheards lives, Spent in a pleasant veine of Recreation, How they sit chatting with their wanton wives, Tricking and toying in a Shepheards fashion: This thou canst do, and it's done pretily, For it shews wit, yet spent vnsittingly.

O if thou would confine thy felfe in reason,
And leave fond Poems of a doting Louer,
Observing Natures tone, tune, time, and season,
How well would these seeme to that powerfull mover;
Whose eyes are pure, and of that piercing sight,
As they love light, but hate such works are light.

But O too vaine's the current of thy vaine, Soild with the Motives of vntamed lust, Which layes vpon thy Name that endlesse shame, As shall furvive, when thou return'd to dust, Shalt much lament those Poems thou hast writ, Through th'light conceit of thy licentious wit.

Nor is it gaine mou's thee to prostitute,

That

That precious talent which thou doest possesse: No, it's delight thou hast to gaine repute, 'Mong st men made* beasts through their voluptuousnes* * Sicut Belluæ O hate that affectation, lest this shelfe, Of vaine applause do ruinate thy selfe!

funt humanæ, ita homines funt belluini.

For fuch esteeme, what honour wil't afford, What comfort in the grave, where thou lies dead; When thy lascinious * works shall beare record, Of what was by thee writ or published? Nay 'twill preiudice thee, it cannot chufe, Vaine's that opinion ill-men haue of vs.

* By those stu-dies, which I affected, am I am I dispara-

Thus thou fustaines the height of miserie, To fee a * Cleobes and Biton grac'd, With honour, fame, defertfull dignitie, Thy glory prun'd, thy laurell-wreath defac'd: The triumphs of thy wit fo quite forgot, As if (fo fickle's fame) thou flourish'd not.

* Two brothers. sonnes to Argia a Prophetesse in the temple of

Nor can we fay those flourish, whose renowne Consists in praise of vice, for though they seeme Vnto the worlds eye fo fully knowne, Yet they shall be as if they had not bene; When vice, which to advance was their desire, Shall melt away as waxe before the fire.

Rest not, but labour Lucian to preferre The fage contents of facred Mysteries, Before such Rithms as teach men how to erre, Whose best instructions are but vanities; Which if thou do, wits Treasure shall increase,

And

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And crowne thee Laureat in the Land of peace.

Yet reade not fo, as not to vnderstand
The grave remainders of Times ancient Booke;
For what a follie is't to have in hand
Bookes nere red over! This, that * Sage for fooke,
When in his course of reading He did vse,
The choycest slowers in every worke to chuse.

* In Demofthene magna pars Demofthenis abeft, cum legitur & non auditur.

Thus Lucian have I warn'd thee to forbeare,
That fnarling humour, of detracting fuch
Whose vertues shine as Starres in highest Sphære,
Whose worthie Lives can well abide the tutch;
Defame not * vertue, rather emulate,
Good-mens example, that's a vertuous hate.

* Ea fola neque datur dono neque accipitur. Saluft,



The Argument of Stesichorus.

Stefichorus is fained to haue lost his eyes for dispraising Helen of Greece, and afterwards to have recoured the same by praising her. The Morall alludeth to such, who ouerborne with the vn-bounded height of their owne conceit, distaste the opinion of a multitude, to make their owne irregular iudgement passe for current. These (as we say) vie euer to swim against the streame, affecting that least, which seemes approued by the most: fcorning to guide their ship by anothers Card, measure

measure their life by anothers line, or walke in a common path. Some other application may this Morall make, as One vpon this fable would have Stefichorus to shadow a Malecontent, by whom things generally esteemed vse to be most difualued, delighting in nothing more then opposi-Others by way of fimilitude compare him to One, who by much gazing on the Sunne becomes dim-fighted; fo He, by too intentiue fixing his eye vpon beautie, became blinded: the deuine application whereof I leave to every mans peculiar conceite, not louing to presse these further, then their owne native fence will beare. The fubiect whereof this Satyre intreateth, more particularly applyed, may chance to glance at fome whofe fingularitie gaines them Opinion aboue reason; but filence is their best salue, labouring rather to redeeme the time, then reueale their owne shame. Let them be of more humble nature, and I will spare to prosecute any further. Nihil tam volucre est quam maledictum, the poyson whereof is as strong as the passage swift; the vnworthinesse of which condition as I have ever loathed, fo a milde and temperate reproofe for vertues fake haue I euer loued: not ignorant, how fome vices (as other fores) are better cured by lenitiues then corasiues, lest the Patient crie out - Grauiora funt, haud feram. Iudge of the Satyre.

THE FOURTH SATYRE.

* A lyrick Poet, famous for his fweete and pleafing veine. STefichorus * like Zeuxes cannot paint, Nor like Lysippus can delineate; For then He would give that accomplishment To Hellens beautie, as might propagate Her same to following times, when Ages passe, Which by Record might shew what Hellen was.

Blind Byard now, fee how thy iudgement err'd, By gazing long on beautie thou art blind, Recanting all too late what thou auerr'd, So diffrent is th'opinion of that mind, Where onely felfe-conceit drawes men to shew Their private iudgement, given they care not how.

Was she not faire that made all Troy to burne, That made Prince Paris wander to and fro, That made Queene Hecuba so sore to mourne, Both for her selfe and for her Issue too? Yes she was faire, how ere thy eye esteeme her, Nor can conceit of one make beauty meaner.

What made flout Menelaus paffe the Sea? What Telamon to rig his well-mann'd ship, What Aiax, what Achylles? It was she, Whose sweete ambrosiacke breath and cherri-lip, Relish'd of Nectar, and infus'd a spirit, In Cowards breasts, to gaine true same by merit.

Old fubtill Sinon can prepare affault,

Against

Against the strongest battlements of Troy, Whilest armed Grecians in that ribbed vault, Prest for encounter, purpos'd to destroy, Issue from Pallas horse, so aptly * made, As Troy had cause to curse the cunning Iade.

by Phereclus, who was after flaine by Mer in the fiege of Troy.

* It was made

Art thou perfivaded yet to praife her beautie, Sith Nature hath furpast Her felse in skill, As one ingag'd in some respect of dutie, Vnto her sex, to make them honor'd still? O be perswaded, to her shrine repaire, For howsoere thou saies, thou thinks Her saire!

Faire in proportion, motive in her pace, An eye as chearefull as the morning-Sunne, Her haire, her fmile, her well-befeeming grace, By which fo many Troians were vndone: In briefe, examine Her from top to toe, And then admire each part accomplished fo.

Such admiration as like Linceus eyes, Transparent Brightneffe seemes to penetrate: For if Apollo seeing Daphnes thighes, Wau'd by the Easterne winde, forgot his state, Himselfe and all, Proportion well may moue, Since gods themselves were tost by gusts of love.

Did not faire Phyllis dote vpon a Swaine, She passing faire, and he a witherd lad, Whence we may reason, none can love restraine, Nor set it limits which it never had: For when we have done all that we can do, It will have th'courfe and readie paffage too.

Yet Loue's fo pure it can endure no staine, Stain'd Loue is lust, which is not in her brest: Spotlesse content she seekes, which if she gaine, She freely liues, and fairely takes her rest: But barr'd of this, without repose she lies, And dying liues, and living loathed dies.

* Nærus erat veneri species, Helenæq; cicatrix gloria, quæ Paridem fecit amore parem. It is not Venus * mole nor Hellens scarre, Adds fuell to affection, for though these Gaue beautie summons to commence Loues warre, Yet outward graces do but onely please, As Obiects do the eye; where Loues best part Consists not in the eye, but in the Heart.

But now to thee, who did diffraise that faire, Whose beautie ruin'd Cities, now disclaime Thy purblind iudgement, and withall compare Hellen with Hero, or some choicer Dame: And then it may be * Cupid will restore Thine eyes to thee, which He put out before.

* Lumine qui femper proditur ipfe fuo.



The Argument of Pigmalion.

Pigmalion, whom no furpassing beautie in all Cyprus could captivate, at last having made a curious Image or Picture of an amiable woman,

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was fo rauished with the accomplished proportion of his owne worke, that enamoured therewith, He intreated Venus to put life in his Image, which with fuch Artfull delineature he had composed. Venus taking commission vpon his prayers and teares, infused life in his Picture, whereof He begat a beautifull daughter called Papho, from whom (or from Mount Paphos) Venus is faid to have taken her name, flyled sometimes by the Poets Eryca, fometimes Paphia: whose feasts with all ceremoniall rites vsually performed in the honour of an immortall goddeffe, were originally folemnized and celebrated onely by the Shepheards of those Mountaines, but after-The Morall in- Note this you wards more generally observed. cludeth the vaine and foolish Loues of such as are painted faces, whose native befotted on euery idle picture or painted Image, Country (once whose felse-conceited vanitie makes beauty their become reddish, Idoll, becoming Creatures of their owne making, with blufking at as if they dif-esteemed the creation of their Maker. The Satyre though compendious, comprifeth much matter. Reade it, and make vse of the fequele.

THE FIFT SATYRE.

Igmalion rare, in rare Proportions making, Yet not in quickning that which He had framed, So exquisite in artfull curious shaping, In nought (if Zeuxes iudged) could he be blamed: Yet skillfull though He were in formes contriuing, Yet not so skilfull in those formes reviving.

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Reviu'd

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Reuiu'd ! I wrote amisse, they never lived : Improper then to fay, they were reuiued.

uinaria erected by the heathen for their Pagan images.

He builds him * Temples for his Image-gods, * Like those Pul And much befotted with their faire aspect, In admiration of his worke, He nods, And shakes his Head, and tenders them respect; I cannot tell (quoth He) what paffion moves me, But fure I am (quoth He) faire Saint I love thee, Thou art my handie-worke, I wish my wife, If to thy faire Proportion thou hadst life.

> Canst thou Pigmalion dote so on shrines, On livelesse Pictures, that was never rapt With any beautie Cyprus Ile confines? These (foolish man) be for thy Loue vnapt; They cannot answer Loue for Loue againe, Then fond Pigmalion do thy Loue restraine; Such fenfeleffe creatures as have onely being, Haue with embraces but an harsh agreeing.

They have no moysture in their key-cold lips, No pleasure in their smile, their colour stands; Whilest youthfull Ladies on the pauement trips, They stand as Pictures * should, with saplesse hands; And well thou knowes, if Passive be not moving, The Active part can veeld small fruits of louing: Why art thou fo befotted still with woing, Since there's no comfort when it comes to doing?

* Quid agunt in corpore casto cerussa & minium, centumq; venena coloru ? Victor. ad Salmonem.

> Can any idle Idoll without breath, Give thee a gracefull answer to thy fuite?

> > Nay

Nay rather like dead corps furprized by death, It answers silence when thou speakes vntot. Design then (fond Pigmalion) and restraine To love that Creature cannot love againe; What will it pleasure thee a shrine to wed; That can afford no pleasure in thy bed?

Thou art not fo * bewitcht with any beautie, How faire foere within thy Native Ile, No Nimph can move thy Love, or force thy dutie, As doth this Picture, whose art-forcing smile Can give thee small content, and wherefore then Should painted Statues so entangle men? It's love thou sayest, Pigmalion, that doth move thee, But thou loves such as cannot say they love thee.

* —Sine coniuge Cælebs
Viuebat, thalamique diu conforte carebat.

Metam. 10 lib.

Turne thee vnto leud Pasyphaes lust,
Wife to a brave and valiant * Champion,
Who on a Bull (see how affection must
Passe Reasons limit) fondly dotes vpon;
* Ioue on a Heiser, Danae of a shower,
Such is the vertue of loves-working power:
No time, place, obiect, subject, circumstance,
Can still Loves pipe, when Cupid leades the dance.

* Minos king of Crete.

Then who will aske the reason of thy Loue, (son, Which shewes most strength when she can shew least rea-And cannot Proteus-like with each blast moue, Nor free her selfe from soule-deluding treason! She like the Moone is not each month in waine, For th'obiect of her loue is of that straine, Nor land, nor sea, nor tempests though they thwart her

* Non frustra dictus Bos onis Imber Olor, Whence our English Poet as protein per ly annexed this Disticke, imitating the former in matter (JOR, and manner: I rea-was not fill dright fure I am, From Whape he tooke of Bull, sheepe, shower, and swam, vid. Ouid. in Metamorph.

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Can from her Sphere by opposition part her.

Do but torment Her with the fight of woe. Vexe her with anguish and with discontent, She will not make her friend in heart, her foe: No. if the were with depth of forrowes thent: Yet * like Anthæus, when she's most cast downe, She gathers strength, and is not overthrowne: whose fall (An. She cannot breake her vow, her legall oath, But meanes (if life permit) to keepe them both.

Which is eleantly expre∬ed y our moderne theus-like) prook'd him more, And made him ftronger then he was before.

Then (honour'd Piclure) let me thee embrace; With that He hugd it in his lustfull armes, And now and then He smeer'd the Pictures face, Praying the gods to keepe it from all harmes: And prayed (a fensleffe prayer) Ioue to defend, His Picture from diseases to the end; So to enioy her dalliance with more pleafure, Whose presence He esteem'd the precious't Treasure.

Each euen he vs'd to dreffe it for his bed, For in a gowne of Tissue was it clothed, And put a night-tyre on it's iuorie head, Aud when night came He made it be vnclothed: Where, lest He should his lustfull fauours hide, He vs'd to lay the Picture by his side, Where He drew to it as He faw it lie, But when it would not be, He wish'd to die.

Vngratefull Creature (would Pigmalion fay) That never doest afford one smile on me, That dallies thus with thee, each night, each day;

Faire

Faire Saint, what needes this curiositie? While with a * kiffe He oft his fpeech would breake, * Ofcula dat. By threats or faire intreats to make it speake: And when He had his fruitleffe pratting done, He would in rage call it an Idoll dumbe.

reddiq; putat, loquiturque tenetque. Meta,

But angrie with himselfe, He streight would blame His too rash furie, craving pardon too, That he should stile it with so harsh a Name. And wish'd him powere to die, or it to do, Swearing by heaven, if sheete did chance to move, It was the nimble action of his Loue. Coy-toying Girle (quoth He) what meaneth this, Is it your modestie, you will not kisse ?

Naught though it answer'd, he would prosecute His wooing taske, as if it stood denying, And thus would vrge it; Deare accept my fuite. Be not so fearefull, feare thou not espying. I have excuses store, then listen me; For I will vow I was enam'ling thee: Then fport thee wench, securely frolick it, That I on thee a Niobe may get.

Thus whilest He vainely pratted to his Shrine, Aurora with her radiant beames appeared, And blushing red, as if she tax'd the time, For fuch licentious motions, slilie peered In at a chinke, whereby she did discouer An idoll courted by an idle Louer: And scarce Aurora now had time to show her, But fond Pigmalion made this speech vnto her.

What

OF DOTAGE.

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What have I done (thou iealous light) said He,
That I should thus deprived be of louing!
What couldst thou do, to adde more miserie,
Then in thy speedie rising, hastie moving?
Thou might have spar'd one day, and hid thy light,
Enioyning Earth to have a * double night,
Where ghastly furies in oblivion sit,
For darke misdeeds for darknesse be most sit.

Vt geminata os nox inclyiungat amo-

But He cut off his speech with many grone, Hastning to rise, yet went to bed againe, And as He goes, He sees the darknesse gone, And Phæbus coursers galloping amaine: Which seene, at last He rose with much adoe, And being vp, began afresh to woe; Yet having so much sense as to perceive, How he had err'd, He ceasseth now to crave.

For He intends to worke another way,
By Invocation on some heavenly power,
The onely meanes his passion to allay;
Which to performe, retiring to his bower,
He made these Orisons: Venus saire Queene,
Then whom in heaven or earth nere like was seene,
Be thou propitious to my prayers, my teares,
Which at thy Throne and Pedestall appeares.

I whom nor Swaine nor Nimph could ere inchant, Am now befotted with a fenslesse creature, Whom though I do possesse, yet do I want, Wanting life breathing in her comely feature, Which by infusing life if thou supplie, Ile liue to * honour thee, if not, I die; For what is life where discontent doth raigne, But such a sarme as we would saine disclaime?

* By offring sacrifice to Venus in the Ile of Cyprus.

Venus much mou'd with his obsequious prayers, And liquid teares, his fuite did fatissie, Infusing breath into her fenslesse veines, Now full of iuyce, life, and agilitie; Which being done, the Picture mou'd, not missing To lure Pigmalion to her lips with kissing, Reaping great ioy and comfort in their toying, Depriu'd before of blisse, blest now enioying.

Blest in enioying and possessing that,
Which doth include true Loues selicitie,
Where two are made ioynt owners of one state,
And though distinct, made one by vnitie;
Happie then I, (Pigmalion did reply,)
That have possessing of this Deitie,
No humane creature but a Parragon,
Whose livelesses forme once Nimphs admired on.

This faid, she streight retires vnto the place, Where she her moulding had, by whom she now (I meane Pigmalion) obtain'd fuch grace, As He her maker and her husband too, Tooke fuch content in his now-breathing wife, As they scarce differ'd once in all their life, But this was then: Let this suffice for praise, Few wives be of her temper now adaies.

The faire and fruitfull daughter He begat,

De fobole Pigmalionis. Of

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* Illa Paphum genuit, de quo tenet infula nomen. *Ibidem*. Of this fame lively Image had to name,
Papho the faire, a wench of Princely state,
From whence * Ile Paphos appellation came,
Confecrate vnto Venus, beauties Queene,
By whose aspect that Ile is ever greene;
Wherein there is a pleasant Mirtle-grove,
Where a shrine stands to shew Pigmalions love.

ARTERESER ARTERE

The Argument of Pytheas.

Pytheas an Athenian Orator much delighted with good cloaths, and proud of his owne tongue: when law began to grow out of request (for the Athenians endeuoured to bring in Platoes commonweale) whereby the Court of the Areopagitae became much weakened, and the frequencie of Clyents discontinued; Acolytus a bitter Satyrist, chancing to meete with Pytheas this spruce Lawyer in rent clothes, at a bare Ordinarie, lining vpon Pythagoras diet, viz. rootes; observed this vnexpected mutation, and with Democritus readie to laugh at others miserie, compiled this short Satyre, to adde new suell to Pytheas discontent.

THE SIXT SATYRE.

PYtheas a Laywer of no fmall refpect, Garded, regarded, dips his tongue in gold,

And

And culls his phrase, the better to effect
What He and his penurious Client would;
Vpon his backe for all his anticke showes,
More clothes He weares then how to pay He knowes.

And what's the reason; he hath Law at will, Making a good face of an euill matter, And euery day his thirslie purse can fill; With gold thou liest; with nought but wind and water: Ile tell thee why, Platoes new Commonweale, Makes Pytheas leave off pleading, and go * steale.

* Sifte latrare foris, & promoue cœpta latronis

What Pytheas, steale? is't possible, that He That had a Pomander still at his nose, That was perfum'd with balls so fragrantly, Should now another trade of living choose? He must and will, nor dare He show his face. Halse casement-wide, that open'd many a case.

The other day but walking on the streete,
I faw his veluet gerkin layd to pawne
His graue Gregorian, for his head more meete,
Then Brokers shop, and his best pleading gowne;
Nay which was more, marke Pytheas conscience,
There lay to pawne his Clients euidence.

Sic toga, fic crines, pignora iuris erant.

But it's no maruell, Pride must have a fall, (streame, Who was on Cockhorse borne through Fortunes Is now cashier'd from th'Areopagites Hall, And on each bulke becomes a common theame:

O blest vacation, may thou never cease,
But still have power to silence such as these!

Well

Well farewll Law if Lawyers can be poore, For I esteem'd them onely blest in this, That Danaes lap with gold-distilling shower, Had made them line all heires to earthly bliffe: But fince these conscript fathers we adore, Feele want of wealth, we'le worship them no more.



The Argument of Periander.

DEriander that wife Prince of Corinth, elected one of the Sages of Greece, fell in his old age to pouertie; whereby, though his Axiomes were no lesse esteemed, his deuine Aphorismes no lesse regarded, (as held for the very * Oracles of fome fuperiour power) yet the respect which former time had of him grew leffened, through the decrease of his friends and fortunes: which was no fooner perceived, then the distressed Sage lamenting the worlds blindnesse, that vseth to be taken fooner with a vaine shadow then any folid subflance, wrote this Satyricall Elegie in a penfine moode, inueying against the vncertaine and inconflant affections of men, who measure happinesse not by the inward but outward possessing. Whereby He inferreth, that howfoeuer the wifeman may feeme miserable, He is not so, but is more rich in possessing nothing, then the coue-

* Vid. Laer. de vit. Phylofo.

tous foole in enioying all things: for his estimation is without him, whereas the other hath his within *Him*, which is to be more preferred, (I meane the minds treasure, before the rubbish of this world,) then light before darknesse, the radiant beames of the Sunne before thicke and duskie clouds, or pure and temporate aire before foggie and contagious vapors.

THE SEVENTH SATYRE.

I Ngrateful Greece, that scornes a man made poore Respecting not the treasure of his mind, Whose want of wealth must shut him out of doore; The world's no friend to him that cannot find A masse of gold within their mouldred cell, No matter how they get it, ill or well.

Virtus post nummos.

This I experienc'd of, may well perceive, Euen *Periander I, of late a Sage Of stately Greece, whom now she'le not receive, Because oppress with want, surprized with age; Euen I, that of the * Ephori was one, One of the chief'st, but now retires alone.

* Whose fathers was Cypfelus, descending from the Heraciyd fa-

* Ephorus was among the Lacedemonians as Tribunus among the Romans.

Yet not alone, though none refort to me, For wifedome will have fociats to frequent her: And though proud Greece fro hence should banish thee, Friends thou hast store, will knocke and knocking enter: * Amicis & fæ-And firme * friends too, whose vertues are so pure, Vice may affay, but cannot them allure.

licibus & infælicibus eundem re prebe. Laert. in Senten. With Periand.

OF INGRATITUDE. IIO

With what respect was I once grac'd by you, You gorgeous outsides, Fortunes painted wall, When rich; but poore, you bid my rags adue, Which did at first my troubled mind appall; * Be not afraid But noting well the * worlds inconflant courfe, (faith Petrarch) But noting well the worlds inconflant courfe, though the houfe I thought her scorne could make me little worse. (the bodie) be

haken so the de Remed. vtriufque fortunæ.

Soule, (the guest of the body) fare Remorcelesse Greece, wert thou of marble made, well. Petrarch.

Thou might shed teares to see thy Sage dismaids Thou might shed teares to see thy Sage dismaide, By whose direction thou hast oft bene stayd, When both thy hope decreaft, and fame decaid; Both which restor'd by Him, got that report, To Him and his, as thou admir'd him for't.

> Yet canst thou not discerne, twixt wisedomes straine, And those discording tones of vanitie, For all thy ayme is benefite and gaine, And thefe are they thou makes thy Deitie; . To second which, this caution thou doest give, Who know not to diffemble cannot liue.

Demadis saying was, that Dracoes lawes were written with bloud and not with inke.

I know thy follies, and will brute them too, For thou hast mou'd my splene, and I must speake, Since thou applies no falue to cure my woe, I must complaine perforce, or heart-strings breake: Iustice is turn'd to wormewood in your land, And corrupt dealing gets the upper hand.

You itch (and out of measure) with desire Of hearing nouelties, and strange devices, And fcorch'd with heate of lusts-enraged fire. Set marks of Love, make fale of Venus prizes.

Broad

Broad-spreading vice, how deare so ere it cost, To purchase it, you'le vye with who bids most.

You Hydra-headed monsters full of poyson, Infecting every place with stinking breath, What ere proceeds from you is very noysome, And like the Basiliske procuring death: I care not for your hatred, if your love Like Tritons ball, with such inconstance move.

Plin. in nat. hift. Alcyat. in Emblem.

These steering slies which slicker to and fro,
And beate the vaine ayre with their rusling wings,
Be their owne soes, and they professe them so,
When they their wings with slames of surie cinge;
For they whose hate pursues a guiltlesse one,
With * Sysiphus do role his restlesse stone.

* Ixions wheele, Tantalus apples, and Sylphus flone: peculiar punifhments inflifled on thefe perfons for their luft, awarice, & crueltie, as the Poets faine.

You cannot grieve me with your enmitie, Nor much offend me with your hatefull breath, For ill-mens love and hate, are equally Priz'd by the good, whose chiefest aime is death, And how to die: for much it doth not skill, What ill-men speake of vs, or good or ill.

What golden promises did I receive, Yet see their issue; base contempt and scorne Ore my deiested state triumphed have: So as proud Greece vnmindfull to performe What merit craves, and what she's bound to do, Neglests my want, and glories in it too.

Bias my Brother-fage I now remember,

Shipwrack d

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Shipwrack'd in Priene Ile, whose wofull case Seemes to resemble fate-crost Periander, Like Ianus statue, shewing face to face; Let's then, since equall fortune frownes on either, (Kind Bias) sound our wofull plaints together.

* Or Corinth in Greece. Let Priene Ile relate thy hard mischance, Let * Greece bewaile my fall, my ruin'd state, Thou while on Sea thy exil'd ship doth lance, Thou lightly weighes th'inconstancie of sate: Rouse Periander then, that't may be said, Thy * patience hath thy fortune conquered.

* Infælicem dicebat, qui ferre nequiret infælicitatem. in vit. Bi.

Get thee to Schooles, where pure Phylosophie In publicke places is sincerely taught, And thou shalt heare, there's no calamitie, Can dant a spirit resolu'd to droupe with nought That want or woe can menace, for though woe, Make * good-men wretched seeme, they are not so.

* Omnia aduerfa exercitationes accidentibus bonis effe
putat. vid. Boæt.
in lib. de malis.
Poteft dici mifer, non poteft
effe. ibid.

Well may misfortunes fall on our estate, Yet they're no blemish to our inward worth, For these are but the gifts of purblind sate, That domineers sole soueraignesse on earth; But we are placed in an higher seate, Then to lie prostrate at Dame Fortunes seete.

Her palse hand wherewith she holds her ball, Moues with each blast of mutabilitie, And in whose lap she lists, she lets it fall, Thus mocks she man with her inconstancie; Then who is he (if wise) esteemes her treasure, No fooner given, then tane when we displease her.

She faunes, she frownes, she lasts not out a Moone, But waines each month, and waining doth decrease: Those whom she did advance, she now throwes downe, And those which lik'd Her once, do now displease: Thou reeling wheele, that moves so oft a day, That weaves thy * west, and takes thy web away.

* Sic licium texit, fic telæ stamina foluit.

Titus that Prince fo much admir'd by men, Stiled Mans Darling for his curtuous mind, Did thinke all powers by fate to have their raigne, As if she had no limits Her affign'd, But (though deuinely-learn'd) did erre in this, For fates be rul'd by supreme * Deities.

Sueton, Tranq. in vit. Tit.

Then why should I (fond man) so much depend, Vpon a Creature, which hath her existing In a Superiour power, and doth extend No further then heavens please? for her subsisting, Essence, power, Empire, soueraigne command, Hath her direction from Iehouahs hand. * Quicquid boni egeris in Deos refer. Laert. in vit. Phil.

Rest thee then Periander, and despise
Vulgar opinion swaide by multitude,
Thou was esteemed once for to be wife,
Shew it in publicke; let lives enterlude
*Acted by thee vpon this worlds stage,
Contemne that Greece which scornes distressed age.

* Vniuerfus mundus exercet Histrionem.



The Historicall Argument of Terpnus Musician vnto Nero; with a Satyre annexed to it as followeth.



Erpnus a Romane Lyrick, or as fome will haue him, a comon Cytharede, with whom Nero, yt prefident to Tyrants vsed to confort, and with whose admirable skill he was exceedingly delighted: in

processe of time fell into Neroes disgrace, for playing to him at Agrippina his mothers funerals: where he sung the dismall and incessuous bed of Oresles, the crueltie of Sphinx, reuiling at their tyrannie; which so greatly displeased Nero, that he banished him his Court and royall Pallace, inioyning him withall neuer to frequent the Muses Temple.

The Morall importeth Such, as laying afide Time-observing, do not sew pillowes to their Princes elbowes, but with bold and resolved spirit, will with Calistenes tell Alexander of his drunkennesse, with Canius tell Tyberius of his crueltie, with Brutus tell Cæfar of his vsurping, with Cato Censorius will reprehend the Commonweale for

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her ryoting. And true it is, that a Commonwealth is better gouerned (if of necessitie it must be gouerned by either) by Cynickes then Epicures, more offences for most part arising by alluring and inducing men to fenfuall pleafures, then by Spartas Damasymbrotos, his restraining of youth. The Laconians neuer lived fo fecurely, as when they lived barely; nor euer did Romes Commonwealth dilate her bounders more then by the practife of legall austeritie, nor decrease more then by introduction of lawlesse libertie. And yet I find it more rare to heare any admonitions but *Placentia* in the Courts presence, then to see a graue and demure feeming, couer an hypocrites ranke diffembling. We have more * Seiani (which I wish had Seians * Ayming no lesse at privie fall) then Vticani to prouide for a Commonweals success and defafetie. There were many could greete Cafar with assistant postan Aue, but there were few would put him in intruders. mind of his Memento mori. Many could perswade Phaeton that he could guide the Sunnes chariot in better order then his gray-hair'd father, but by affenting to their perfwasions, he was like to make a flame of the world. Nothing more dangerous to the state of a well-gouerned Commonweale, then Parafites, the tame beafts of the Citie (as Diogenes calls them \. If the perfwading fycophancie of Times-observancie had not besotted Candaules with his wives beautie, he had prevented that miferable euent which by his owne Gyges was pra-Ctifed and performed. Dicit Varius, negat Scaurus vtri creditis? Varius affirmes it, Scaurus denies it. whether beleeue you? The one fincerely voyd

* Quinquenniŭ Nero. of diffembling flatterie: the other glofingly voyde of truth and veritie. By the one we are subject to the ruine of our state: by the other advanced to a firmer constancy then such as may be any way fubiect to mutabilitie. Nero in the * beginning of his time banished al the Spintriæ, Inventors of beastly pleasures out of his kingdome; I would he had banished time-obseruing flatterers, and that he had retained fuch as Terpnus, that would reprehend him in his enormities. Iulius Cafar was too much addicted to his Parasites, but his successour Augustus was—ad accipiendas amicitias rarissimus ad retinendas vero constantissimus. It was long ere he would entertaine a friend, but being retained. he was most constant in his fauour towards him. The old approbation of friendship comes into my mind, to eate a bushell of falt ere we be acquainted. We may trie our friends as Pilades did his Orestes, Damon his Pythias, Eneas his Achates, but it will be long I feare me, ere any of vs possesse fuch impregnable Affistants, fuch Presidents of true friendship. The skilfull Painter when he depictures an vnthankfull man, because he cannot well delineate him in his colours, without fome proper Motto better to explaine him, reprefenteth him in the Picture of a Viper, that killeth her feeder. There be many fuch Vipers, which appeare in externall shew as true hearted as Turtles, I feare them more then the open force of mine enemie: for these sugred kisses bring destruction to the receiuer. Boæthius defining a good man, faith: He may be thus defined: he is a good man-cui nullum honum bonum malumue sit nisi bonus malusue animus: to whom nothing is esteemed either good or euill, but a good or an euill mind; and what effectually maketh this euill mind, but either an inbred euill disposition, which ariseth from the crookednesse of his nature, or fro the euill perswasions of depraued time-observers: for the best natures be (for the most part) foonest peruerted & seduced. Then how necessarie is it to roote out so novsome and pestilent a weede as flatterie, which corrupteth the affections of the worthiest and most pregnant wits, as daily example hath well instructed vs? How hatefull was it to that worthie Thebane Prince, Agefilaus, that memorable mirror of iustice (& no lesse hatefull to our renowned Prince, whose exquisite endowments make him as eminent abroad, as vs bleffed at home) to fee a *flatterer* in his Pallace? nay fo much contemning popular applause. that he would not fuffer his Statue to be erected, lest thereby the vaine and profane adorations of his fubiects should grieue the gods, disdaining that veneration of any mundane power, should be confufedly mixed with adoration and worship of the gods immortall: well remembring Hefiods caueat — μέδε αὖτοῦ, we must not mixe prophane worships with deuine. That Court-gate in Rome The Parastecalled Quadrigemina, I would have it demolished gate. in Troinouant, lest her estate second Roms slauery. Cicero thinks that no vice can be more pernicious then affentation, the verie helper and furtherer of all vices. She can give life and being to the afpiring thoughts of man, when He foares too ambitiously I 3

tiously to the pearch of preferment, honour, or the That wicked Catiline who conspired against Rome, and aspired to the Diadem, seeking to reduce the Empire from a gouernment Aristocraticke, to a Catilines Monarchie; was egged & instigated thereto by complices fit for that purpose. and well forting with fuch an agent, fuch a cruell practitioner — Incredibilia, immoderata & nimis alta semper cupiendo, in desiring things incredible, immoderate, and too high aboue ordinary reach. The like befell vpon Carba, and those who fought to dissolue the Romane Monarchie, & to make it an Oligarchie or fome other gouernment, which was vncertaine, because their intendments neuer came to their accomplished ends. These things thus confidered in their natures, I have here described Terpnus sinceritie in reprehending Nerves crueltie, concluding with Flaccus Dystich.

—Hic murus ahaneus esto,

Nil confcire sibi, nulla pallescere culpa.

What hard mischance so ere to thee befall,

Let thy pure conscience be the brazen wall.

The Satyre ensueth, which most especially aymeth at Time-observers, some whereof in particular I have instanced, as Seianus, Perennius, Sycites; the dismall events whereof with their Tragicke ends, I have amply described.

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THE EIGHTH SATYRE.

Terpnus * Musician to a tyrant Prince, Nero by name, did in the funeralls Which were solemnized on his mothers hearse, Sing on his Lute these wosfull tragicalls: Where every straine he strooke voon his string, Did vexe the conscience of the tyrant king. * Terpnum citharædum v gentem tunc præter alios accerfijt, in Vit. Nero.

Incestuous * Oedipus who slue his father,
Married his mother, and did violate
The law of nature, which aduis d him rather
Single to lue, then take to such a state,
Becomes a subject sit, for this sad hearse,
Where inke gives place to bloud to write her verse.

* Inter cætera cantauit Canacem parturientem, Orestem matricidam, Oedipodem excæcatum, Herculem insanum, &c. Suet in vit. Ner.

Cruell Orestes bath'd his ruthlesse sword, Estrang'd from strangers, in his mothers blood, So little pittie did the child afford To Her, that was the parent of the brood; Yet some excuse for this Orestes had, Mad men exemption have, and He was mad.

Sphinx fubtile Giant, who did riddles put Vnto each paffenger He met withall, Which, who could not refolue He peece-meale cut, Throwing them fro sleepe rocks whence they should fall, Whereby their members broke and crush'd in peeces, Remain'd as food in Sea to fillie fishes.

Yet this he did vpon mature aduice,

For who fore He were affoil'd this question, Was not opprest by him in any wife, But might with fafest conduct travell on; Where thou foule Matricide doest infants vex, Without respect of person, state, or sex.

-Ciuis gaudet Roma cruore.

There is no fex which may exempted be, From thy infatiate hand embrew'd in blood, But waxing proud in others miserie, Doest tyrannize vpon poore womanhood: Blood-thirsty Tyrant there's prepar'd a doome, To startle thee that rip'd thy mothers wombe.

Rauing Orestes heard a furious crie, Which did attend his phrensie to his grave, And did disturbe his restlesse sleepe thereby, So as faue troubled dreames He nought could have: With many broken fleepes, to shew his guilt, Of his deare mothers bloud, which He had spilt.

Fugit ab agro ad ciuitatem, à publico ad domum, à domo in cubiculum. Sup. 45. Pfal.

Which poore Orestes had no sooner heard, Then to his pillow in a difmall fort, Streight He retir'd, and being much afeard, August. in enar. Lest hell and horror should convent him for't, With hands lift up to heaven and hideous crie, He oft would curfe himselfe, and wish to die.

Orestes imprecation.

Turne me (ye gods) quoth he, to some wild beaft, Some fauage Lion, or fome Tyger fierce, Since I delight fo much in bloud to feast, For who can with remorfe my deeds rehearfe? Which if time should with her oblinion smother,

Bloud

Bloud cries revenge, revenge me cries my mother.

Worfe then the beafts thou art, they cherish them, And bring their parents food when they grow old: Who then can daigne to looke on thee for shame, That hast defac'd that forme that gave thee mold? The tender * Storke that fees her parents lack, Will bring them food, and beare them on her back.

Bafilius kom. 8. 9.

But thou a mirrour of impietie,
Depriues thy parent of her vitall breath,
And makes her fubiest to thy cruelty,
Thus she that gaue thee life, thou gives her death:
A sweete reward; O then ashamed be,
Thou staine of Greece, that Greece should harbor thee.

Thus would Orestes frame his fad discourse, With words as vile as were his actions soule, To move his phrenticke passions to remorse, Which long (too long) had triumpht ore his soule; Nor could he find vnto his woes reliefe, Till * death did end his life, and cure his griefe.

If all his teares and ruthfull miferies,
Could neuer expiate his mothers death,
To what extent shall thy calamities
Grow to in time, that slops thy mothers breath,
Euen Agrippinaes breath, whose cursed birth,
Maks her to curse the wombe that brought thee forth?

* He was so vexed with survey with survey of his mothers bloud; that he wandered mad up and downe till he came to Taurica, where he found an end of his troubles.

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This Nero notes, and noting shewes his ire, By outward passions, yet concealeth it,

Refolu'd

Refolu'd ere long to pay the minstrels hire, When time and opportunitie should fit; For tyrants have this propertie 'boue other, They meane reuenge, yet their reuenge cā smother.

And fo did Neto, whose perplexed mind, Guilty of what was ill, feem'd to admire His Art in Musicke, rather then to find Any distast, lest He should shew the fire, Which lay rak'd vp in ashes, and display What time might fleight, but could not take away.

Yet he began to scoule and shake the head, With eyes as fierie-red as Ætnaes hill, Willing him streight to other acts proceed, And filence them that parents-bloud did spill: Sing to thy Lute (quoth he) straines of delight, To cheare th' attendants of this wofull * fight.

* Agrippinaes funerale.

Terpnus did paffe vnto another theame, Yet still relates He in the end of all, The facts of Oedipus, Orestes shame, How and by what effects fucceed d their fall; Whereby (as well it was by all perceived) Nero the tyrant inwardly was grieued.

Pagans was enacted: imagi-

Terpnus continu'd in his Lyricke ode, * For which no long as Nero in his throne remained, law amongst the But now impatient longer of abode, ning, none could Wearied with audience (for fo he feined) be lo brutth as Terpnus left off from profecuting further, naturall cruelty. The fad relation of this cruell * murther.

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But fee the Tyrant, who before delighted More with the musicke of good Terpnus lyre, Then anything which ere his foule affected, Neuer more straines of Terpnus did require; For being griew'd, each day his grieues increased, Till Terpnus exile made his grieues appeased.

Yet not * appealed, for each day each night, He heard the hideous cries of Furies shriking: Oft would He turne himselfe before day-light, But got no reft, his bodie out of liking, Yet tyranniz'd in spilling bloud apace, Act upon act as one bereft of grace.

* For hauing Slaine his mother, e saw in his darknesse. ibid.

Sometimes He faw his mother haling him, With wombe new-rip'd; there* Sporus who He fought, * In vit. Ner. To make of man a woman drag him in; Here fundrie Matrons whom he forc'd to nought, And flue defil'd, which fix'd on Him their eye, Which feene, He fled, but flying, could not flie.

Like the vision appeared to Tiberius crying out -Redde Germanicum.

O conscience, what a witnesses thou brings, 'Gainst Him that iniures thee, where no content Can give houres-respite to the state of kings, Thou of thy felfe art fole-fufficient, To hale or heale, to hale from life to death, Or heale the wound of which he languisheth?

Behold here Terpnus courage, to correct The great abuses of his Princes mind, Whose pompe, port, power, He lightly doth respect, To taxe those crimes to which He is inclin'd:

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OF FLATTERIE.

He's no Court-Adder that will winde him in, To Princes grace by praising of his sinne.

O I could wish we had such Terpni many,
Who would not sooth nor slatter, but auouch,
Blacke to be blacke: but there's I feare not any,
Too sew at least, I doubt me rightly such;
And yet me thinks such Phænix's might build here,
Within this Ile, as well as other where.

Vid. Cornel. Tacit. & Sueto. Tranq. in vit. Tib. Seianus, let him bloome in other coasts, And purchase honour with his slatterie, Let his aspiring thoughts make private boasts, To raise his Fortunes to a monarchie, He cannot prosper here, for why, we know, State-ruine from Court-parasites may grow.

So Seian thought (what have not Traitors thought)
To currie favour with the Senators,
The better to atchieve what He had wrought,
By fecret plots with his conspirators;
Faire-tong'd, false-heart, whose deepe-cotriving braine
Gave way to ruine, where He thought to raigne.

But He's well gone, Rome is dispatch'd of one That would have made combustion in the state, Whose death made Hers reioyce, but His to mone, Who on his fall built their vnhappie state; For Treason like a linked chaine doth show, Which broke in one, doth breake in others too.

Next whom Perennius, whose affected grace,

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Italian-like, feem'd as compos'd by art,
May for his fmoothing humour take the place,
Who sole-poffeffor of a Princes heart,
The youthfull Commodus, did so allure him,
As his aduice feemes onely to fecure him.

Faire Prince (quoth he) if any worldly wight, May folace those faire corps fram'd curioufly, Expresse Her onely when she comes in sight, And I your pleasure soone will satisfie; Your Vnckle he's too strict, he's too seuere, To coupe you up in silence alwaies here. A Parasite pandor.

—Exeat aula Qui vult esse pius, Lucan. 8. li.

What priviledge have Princes more then we, If they deprived be of open aire?
What comfort reape they in their Empirie, If Nestor-like, they still sit in their chaire?
No, no, deare Prince, you know a Prince is borne To be his subjects terror, not their scorne.

No Theater reard in your royall Court, Turney, Iuft, Barrier, should folemnized be, To which a Romane Prince should not refort, Amazing Ladies with his maiestie; O then it is a shame for your estate, To seeme in ought for to degenerate!

How gorgeoufly did Rome demeane her then, When young Vitellius did * banket it,' Seruing at table miriads of men, With lustie Ladies which did reuell it? Yet you more high in state, more ripe in wit,

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* Banketting euer three times, and now and then foure times a day. in vit. Vitell.

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Must Hermit-like in cell retired sit.

Shake off thefe Sages which do now attend you. For they like fetters do restraine your pace; Give lustfull youth in every part his due, Let fprightly gallants take the Sages place, By which enthron'd fecure, you may command, As Ioue erfl did, with Io in his hand,

Nec fuge me (fugiebat enim) iam pascua Lernæ, &c. Lib. 1. Meta.

This did Perennius moue, and tooke effect, Greene thoughts receive too aptly wanton feede. Remaining with the Prince in chiefe respect, As they are wont, who Princes humours feed; Yid. Aurel. Sex. Till He confpiring to vfurpe the crowne, Amidst his honours was cast headlong downe.

in epit. Herod. in vit. Commod.

> Where he received a doome that ferved for all. (Like doome still breath on fuch infectious breath) For foring thoughts must have as low a fall, Whose fauning lives play prologue to their death: For well I know no bane on earth can be Worse to the State then rust of* flatterie.

* Vid. Ciceronem in Lælio prope finem,

Then should these last-ensuing times beware. Lest they commit offences of like kind, Which in the common wealth procure that iarre, As by their projects we fubuersion find: For they depraue the vertues of the best, And in the highest Cedars build their nest.

Sycites, he whose sycophants pretence, Made wofull hauocke of his Common weale,

Abusing

Abusing much his Princes innocence, At last by time (as time will all reueale) Became displeased, who, as He was a so Vnto the state, the state adjudg'd him so.

AN ADMONITION.

Be thou a Terpnus to restraine abuse, Sin-training pleasures fraught with vanitie; Be thou no Seian, no Perennius, To humour vice to gaine a Monarchie; Be not Sycites, let examples move thee, And thou wilt cause the Commonweale to love thee.



The Argument of Epicurus, as in the first Satyre familiarly expressed, so now in his miserable end with lively colours described.

Picurus, who first invented that sect of Epicurisme, delighting in nothing saue voluptuous pleasures and delights, in the end being grieuously vexed with the stopping of his vrine, and an intollerable paine and extremitie of his bellie exulcerated, became mightilie tormented; yet besotted with the fruition of his former pleasure, (so violent are customarie delights) thus concluded:

ded: O quam fælici exitu finem expectatum vitæ meæ imposui? With how happie an end do I limit the course and progresse of my life? The morall includes fuch, as have lived in fecuritie, and carelefnesse, respectlesse of God or his judgement; and euen now readie to make an end of so haplesse & fruitlesse a race, close vp the date of their life as fecurely as they lived carnally. The fecond Satyre in the former Section comprehends the like fubiect, though the one feeme more generall vnder the name of Pandora, implying a gouernesse and directresse in all pleasures, or exhibitresse of all gifts: The other more particular, containing one private and peculiar Sect, even the Epicures, who thought that the chiefe good confisted in a voluptuous and fenfuall life, expecting no future doome after the tearme and end of this life.

Here confider the momentanie and course of this short and vnconstant life, tossed and turmoiled with many turbulent billows, exposed to fundrie shelfs of perillous assaults, many homebred and forreine commotions; in which it behoueth vs (like expert Pilots) to be circumspect in fo dangerous a voyage, left failing betwixt Scylla and Charybdis, prefumption and despaire, by encountring either we rest shipwracked: where if any (which is rare to find) passe on vntroubled. yet must He of necessitie conclude with Seneca: Non tempestate vexor, sed nausea. So slow is every one to proceede graduate in vertues Academie: -ita vt non facile est reputare, vtrum inhonestioribus corporis partibus rem qæusierit, an amiserit: as Cicero

Cicero well observeth in his Declamation against Salust. For who is he of so pure and equal temper, whose man-like resolution holds him from being drawne and allured by the vaine baits and deceits of worldly fuggestions? where there be more of Penelopes companions in euery stew, in euery brothell of finne and wantonnesse, then euer in any age before. Euery one vt Lutulentus fus-as a hogge wallowing in the mire of their vaine conceits, roue from the marke of pietie and fobrietie, into the broad fea of intemperance and fensualitie: but none more of any Sect then Epicurifme, which like a noisome and fpreading Canker, eats into the bodie and foule of the professor, making them both profitute to pleafure, and a very finke of finne. The Satyre will explane their defects more exactly, which followeth.

THE NINTH SATYRE.

That Epicurus who of late remained
Subiect to every fowle impietie,
Now with distempers and night-surfets pained,
Bids mirth adve, his fole felicitie:
His vrine slopt wants passage from his vaines,
Which gives increase to his incessant paines.

Yet feeles He not his foules-afflicted woe, Vnmindfull (wretched man) of her distresse, But pampers that which is his greatest foe, And sirst procur'd his foules vnhappinesse: He cannot weepe, He cannot shed a teare,

But

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But dying laughs, as when He lived here.

His Bon-companions drinking healths in wine, Carousing flagons to his health receiving, Whose sparkling noses taper-like do shine, Offer him drinke whose * thirstie mind is crauing: For though He cannot drinke, yet his desire Is to fee others wallow in the mire.

* Resembling our Elderton, on whom this in-Scription was writ: here lieth drunken Elderton, in earth no I thrust? nay rather here lies In Rem. of a greater worke.

thrust: what said Turne him to heaven He cannot, for He knowes not Where heavens blest mansion hath her situation: Tell him of heavens fruition, and he shewes not The least desire to such a contemplation: His fphere inferiour is, whose vanitie Will fuite no court so well as * Tartarie.

* Orcus vobis ducit. pedes.

> He hath no comfort while He liveth here, For He's orewhelmed with a fea of griefe, And in his death as little ioy appeares, For death will yeeld him fmall or no reliefe: He thought no pleafure after life was ended, Which past, his fading comforts be extended.

Horror appeares euen in his ghastly face, And fummons (wofull fummons) troups of divels. Whilft He benumn'd with finne reiecteth grace, The best receit to cure soule-wounding euils: Forlorne He lives, and lives because He breaths. But in his death fustaines a thousand deaths.

Vngratefull viper, borne of vipers brood, That hates thy parent, braues ore thy Protector, Whofe Whose servile life did neuer any good, But hugging vice, and spurne Him did correct her; See how each plant renewes and gives increase, By him, whom stones would praise, if man should ceasse.

Nor plant, nor worme, nor any fenslesse creature, Will derogate from Gods high Maiestie, Since they from him, as from the supreme Nature, Receive their vigour, grouth, maturitie, Substance, substitute, effence, all in one, From Angels forme vnto the senslesse stone.

But time hath hardn'd thy depraued thoughts, Custome of sin hath made thy sin, no sin; Thus hast thou reas'd the fruite thy labours sought, And dig'd a caue in which thou wallowest in; The Porter of which caue,'s reproch and shame, Which layes a lasting scandall on thy name.

The Epicures

A fwine in mind, though Angell-like in forme, Preposterous end to such a faire beginning, That Thou, whom such a feature doth adorne As Gods owne Image, should be foild with sinning; Who well may say of it thus drown'd in pleasures, This Superscription is not mine but Cæsars.

Thou wantest grace, and wanting, neuer callest, Nessled in mischiese and in discontent; Thou who from light to darknesse headlong fallest, Hauing the platsorme of thy life mispent, Rouse thee Thou canst not, for securitie Hath brought thy long sleepe to a Lethargie.

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Sic faciunt hyemem decipiendo, glires. Dull Dormouse, sleeping all the winter time, Cannot endure the breath of aire or winde, But ever loves to make the Sunne to shine Vpon her rurall Cabbin; that same mind Art Thou endew'd withall, All winter keeping Thy drunken cell, spends halfe thy life in sleeping.

Thou when thou read'st in stories of the Ant,
The painfull Be, the early-mounting Larke,
Thou cals them fooles, for Thou hadst rather want,
Pine, droupe, and die in pouertie, then carke:
Thou thinks there is no * pleasure, but to dwell
In that vast Tophet Epicurean cell.

* According to that of the Poet. —No pleasure but to swill, And full, to emptie, and being emptie, fill.

Art thou so sotted with earths worldly wealth,
That thou expects no life when this is ended?
Do'st thou conceive no happinesse in health,
If health in healths be not profanely spended?
Well there's small hope of thee, and thou shalt sind,
Sinne goes before, but vengeance dogs behind.

Thou canst not tell by thy Philosophie,
Where th' glorious Synod of the Angels sit,
Nor canst thou thinke soules immortalitie,
Should any mortall creature well besit:
Vnsit thou art for such a prize as this, (wish.
Which Saints have wish'd to gaine, and gain'd their

Thou fings strange Hymnes of love of shepeard-swains, How Amarillis and Pelargus woed, Where in love measures thou employes some paines, To make thy works by wanton eares allow'd;

For

For loues encounter loofe wits can expresse it, But for divine power they will fcarce confesse it.

Thus should each sinne of thine vnmasked be, Each crime deblazon'd in her natiue colour: There would appeare fuch a deformitie, As th' Greeke Thersites shape was never fowler; Which if compar'd to th' powerfull works of grace, Would looke agast, asham'd to show their face.

Homer, in Iliad: & alibi.

If I should move thee, restifie thy cares, I know twere fruitleffe, all thy care's to finne, Whose barren haruest intersowne with tares, Endeth farre worfe then when it did begin; A ranke indurate vicerous hard'ned ill, Can ill be bett'red till it haue her fill.

And yet when as this phrenticke mood shall leave thee, Ad poenas tardus Deus est, ad There is some hope of gaine-recoverie, When thy offensive life mispent shall grieve thee; Thy wound's not mortall, looke for remedie; But if like Epicure thou still doest lie, As thou lives ill, so doubt I thou must die.

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The Argument of Diagoras Orator of Athens.

Diagoras a corrupt Orator ving to receive bribes, was exiled, and this Satyre to gall him the more, engraven vpon his shipboord: As followeth.

THE TENTH SATYRE.

Ingoras was once to pleade a cause,
Which th' adverse partie having well observed,
Claps me a guilded goblet in his clawes,
Which He as privately (for sooth) reserved;
Speake (quoth this client) either nought at all,
Or else absent you from the sessions hall.

Absent He would not be, and yet as good,
For his mute tongue was absent in the cause,
Saying, the cause he had not vnderstood,
And therefore wish'd that he a while might pause;
But having paus'd too long, through his delay
The Court dismist, the Senat went away.

Seeing the Senate gone, good gods (quoth he)
Can we not have our caufes heard, whose truth
Is manifest as light? 8 thus we fee
Our Clients wrong'd, whose wrongs afford much ruth:

I would not answer this before Ioues throne, If I thereby might make the world mine owne.

Nought to a confcience pure and void of blame, Which (Ioue be prais'd) is in this fpotleffe breft, For no foule act could blemish ere my name, No corrupt bribe did ere enrich my chest; Yes one (the Clyent answer'd) you know when: It's true indeed (my friend) and nere but then.

Yes once you know (another answer'd) more, When you protested the Angina pain'd you, For which corruption, you had gold in store, That stlent speech of yours abundance gain'd you: It's true indeed, yet there's none can convict me, That ere my conscience for these did a stlict me.

Nay that Ile fweare (quoth one) I neuer knew Remorce of confcience or relenting teare: That heart of yours did nere repentance shew, But could take more, if that you did not feare You should detected be, and your offence, As *iuftice craues, should give you recompence.

Thus as they talk'd, thus as they did discourse, In came a Senatour, which did reueale, His corrupt dealings, for He did enforce Himselse to publish what He did conceale: Whose crimes divulg'd, He presently was led To Coos haven, whence He was banished.

* There were certaine images of Indges (by rebort) set up at Athens, having neither hands nor eyes: imply ing that Rulers and Magistrates should neither be infected with bribes, nor any other way drawne from that which was lawfull and right. But most happie were those dayes wherein Basil the Emperour of Constantine ple lined, that when soeuer he came to his judgment feate, he found neither partie to accuse nor defendant to an wer.

Thus was a corrupt Orator convicted,

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Pressing

Pressing himselfe with his owne obloquie,
Whose selfe-detection made his state afflicted,
His hands the weavers of his tragedie;
Which I could wish to all of like desert,
Whose good prosession's made a guilefull art.



The Argument.

Riptolemus is reported to haue inuented Tillage the first of any, and to haue taught the art of sowing corne: whereupon the gratefull hufbandman, to repay the thankfulnesse of his well-willing mind, rendreth this Elegie, as in part of payment for fo rare inuention: Satyrically withall inueying against such, who eate the fruite of others labours, liue on the sweat of others browes, and muzling the mouth of the oxe that treads out the corne, reape what they neuer sowed, drinke of the vine they neuer planted, and eate at the Altar of which they neuer partaked.

THE ELEVENTH SATYRE ELEGIACK.

A Ged Triptolemus father of our field,
That teacheth vs thy children rare effects;
We do vnto thy facred Temple yeeld
The fruits we reape, and tender all respects

To

To thee, that hast this rare * invention found, And gave first light of tillage to our ground. * Dona fero Cereris— Met. lib. 5.

Describe we cannot in exact discourse, Those rarer secrets which proceed from thee, For polish'd words with vs have little sorce, That are inured to Rusticitie; But what we can we'le do, and to that end, To thee (as Patron) we our fields commend.

By thee we till the wilde vntempered foile,
Make rifing hillocks champion and plaine;
Where though with early labour we do toile,
Yet labour's light where there is * hope of gaine;
We thinke no hurt, but trauell all the day,
And take our rest, our trauels to allay.

* Spes alet agricolas.

No proiect we intend against the State, But cuts the bosome of our Mother earth; We give no way to passion or debate; By labour we prevent our Countries dearth: Yet this ascribe we not to our owne part, But vnto thee, that did invent this art.

Those glorious Trophies which Menander set, In honour of the sacred Deities, Would be too long a subject to repeate, Rear'd in such state with such solemnities; Yet these to ours, inseriour be in worth, Those were of earth, these tell vs vse of earth.

We ope the closet of our mothers breast,

And

And till the fedgie ground with crooked plough, And in the evening take our quiet rest, When we the heate of day have passed through: Thus do we sow, thus reape, and reaping we Do consecrate our first-fruites vnto thee.

And with our fruites our wonted Orifons, With folemne vowes to thy obsequious shrine, Whose * dedication merits heavenly songs, Will we protest what's ours is ever thine; For what we have came from thy devine wit, Or from His power that first insused it.

* Of the dedication of Pagan Temples, vid. Var. de Ant. & Macrob.

> By thee we plant the * Vine and Olive tree, Contrive coole harbors to repose and lie: By thee our * Vine sends grapes forth fruitfully, The Almond, Chestnut, and the Mulberrie; Thus Saturns golden age approcheth neare, And (Flora-like) makes spring-time all the yeare.

*— Ex nitido fit rufticus, atque Sulcos & vineta crepat mera, preparatvimos. Hor.

**Vina genero-fiffima, Maffica, Cecuba, Falerna. Hipp. de coll.

**As in fome parts of Egypt, which (though esfewhere exceeding fruitfull) through extremitie of heate become to the people inhabitable.

The pleasant banks of faire Parnassus mount, With trees rank-fet and branchie armes broad-spred, The Mirtle-trees hard by Castalias fount, With slowrie wreaths thy shrine have honoured; 'Mongst which, no Iland's more oblig's to thee, Then this same Ile of samous Britannie.

b As in Scythia, which region in most places is so cold, as fruites can come to no ripenesse. For as the Astro-

ripenesse. * Others intemporate through parching heate, for as the Afrologers are of opi- Haue their fruites blasted ere they come to light, non, there is a light bothers are planted in a colder feate, in the heaven,

on earth from North to South, bounded out by some of the principall Circles, of the which are 5. in all: one fierie betweene the two Tropicks which is called Zona Torrida: two extreme cold, betweene the Polare circles and the Poles of the wold: and two temporate betweene either of the Polare circles and his next Tropicke.

Whereby

Whereby the Sun-beames feldome shew their might; But we (and therein blest) inhabite one, Which as it's fruitfull, it's a temp'rate Zone.

How can we then if we do ought, do leffe
Then labour to requite as we receive?
For fuch a burning wind's vnthankefulneffe,
As by it we do lofe that which we have:
Let each then in his ranke observe his measure,
And give Him thanks that gave Him such a treasure.

How many regions have their fruites devoured, By th' Caterpiller, Canker, Palmerworme? Whil'st by thy grace so richly on vs powred, Our fields reioyce, and yeeld increase of corne; O then admire we this great worke of thine, Whereby all * regions at our state repine!

* Barbarus inuidit—Met. l. 5.

Repine they may, for we surpasse their state, In power, in riches, sinewes of sharpe warre; They led in blindnesse attribute to sate, What ere befall, we to the morning starre, By which we are directed every day, Or else like wandring sheepe might loose our way.

Hesiod relates seven fortunate reposes, Ilands, which Fortune favors for their seate, Adorn'd with fruitfull plants sent-chasing roses; Where there breaths ever a soile-cherishing heate, By which the plants receive their budding power, And needs no other dew, no other shower.

Caparlæ—fortunatæ infulæ.
vid Hefiod. in
li. de oper: &
die. pag. 15.
Ev μακαρον
κέσοισι in beatorum infulis.

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Iles in the ocean foure hundred

These fruitfull Ilands which this Poet shewes, miles fro Spaine Were feated farre within the Ocean, And neuer warr'd as other Ilands vie. Being in peacefull league with every man: Confer now these together, and then see If this blest Iland be not Brittannie.

> Blest were those Ilanders that did possesse The fertile borders of those healthfull Iles, And we as bleft have no leffe happineffe, In this our Ile, not stretch'd to many miles: Though when those * streames of Hellicon appeares, It doubles fruites in doubling of her yeares.

* The two vniuersities.

Thames full as pleafant as Euphrates flood, Though she containe not in her precious nauell, * Tagus, Ganges, The * golden oare of Ganges, yet as good As any gold or any golden grauell, Transporting hence, and bringing here againe, Gaine to the Citie by their fraught of graine.

> Thus water, ayre, and earth, and all vnite Their powers in one, to benefit our state, So as conferring profit with delight, Well may we tearme this Iland fortunate; For we more blest then other Iles have bin, Enioy both peace without and peace within.

Vnto his altar let vs then repaire, That hath conferd thefe bleffings on our land, And fure we are to find him present there, Apt to accept this offring at our hand;

Where

three rivers famous for their golden oare or grauell,

Where, as He hath remembred vs in peace, We'le yeeld him fruites of foules and foiles increase.

To thee then (bleffed Deitie) is meant, This votall facrifice, how ere we speake, Of old Triptolemus thy instrument; For midst inventions we will ever seeke To raise thy praise, who hast thy Throne above vs. And daily shewes that thou doest dearely love vs. The true explanation of this Elegie.



The Argument.

[Elonomus a shepheard of Arcadia, who hauing frequented the plaines there long time, with great husbandrie vsed to exercise his paflures, receiving no fmall profite from his fruitfull flocke: in the end fell in loue with Cynthia Oueene of the forrest adjoyning: whom having woed with many loue-inducing tokens, and shepheards madrigals, and fpent the profit of his flock in gifts (with too lauish a bountie bestowed vpon her) and yet could no way preuaile, being posted off with many trifling delayes; in the end wrote this thort Satyre in a Cynick mood, reuiling at the couetousnesse and insatiable desire of women, who will profitute their fauour for lucre fake vnto the meanest swaine, till they have consumed the fruite

fruite of his stocke, and then will turne him ouer shipboord.

THE TWELFTH SATYRE.

Elonomus a worthie shepheard swaine, Befotted with faire Cynthia's amorous face. Befeeched Her to love for love againe, And take compassion on his wofull case; Which she halfe-yeelding to, diffembling too, Did move the fwaine more eagerly to woo.

gratæ, poscunt pulcherrima pulchræ ; Munera fi referas, ofcula gra-ta feres.

* Non sumus in- And that with * gifts most powerfull to ensnare The minds of maids, whose curious appetite, Desires as they be faire to have things faire, To adde fresh fuell vnto loues delight; Which to effect, each morne a flowrie wreath. Compos'd the fwaine, to breath on Cynthia's breath.

* Rupibus extractum Calibæis mittit electrum, &c. Whence it is Said cometh the purest Amber.

Fine comely bracelets of refined * Amber. Vsed this Shepheard swaine to tender her, And every morne resorting to her chamber. Would there appeare ere Phœbus could appeare. Where telling tales as shepheards vse to tell, She fored a fmile, as though the liked Him well.

* Thus at Loues Thus poore Melonomus continued long, barre this Client, * Hoping for refolution at her hands, And weepes, & Whilest with delayes He mixed gifts among, wipes, & wrings and wreathes his Which (as He thought) were fancies strongest bands; And still He craves dispatch of his request, And to performe what the in show profest.

But

But she, from day to day puts off, replying, She scarce resolved was to marrie yet: But when his * gifts surceast, she stat denying, Answer'd, A swaine was for a Queene vnsit; He rurall, homely, bred of meane descent, She royall-borne, of purer Element.

* Inftat amans, tamen odit amans, sic munera quærit, Queis tamen acceptis. nescit amare magis.

Melonomus thus answer'd, wisely fram'd
This grave reply: And is it so indeed?
Be all those gifts I gave (all which He nam'd)
To no effect? why then returne and seed
Thy wanton slocke, surceasse thy bootlesse suite,
Since she consum'd thy slocke with all their fruite.

A sudden resolution requiting her sudden disdaine.

Aged Alcmænon who my father was,
And as I gueffe knew well the shepheards guife,
Thought forne to set his love on every lasse,
Aye me vnhappie, of a sire so wise;
But this distaine that lowres on beauties brow,
Shall teach me, swaines with swaines know best to do.

I canot trull it I, nor fancie all I fee, if fhe be faire, wife and an heire, that girle liketh me.

The skipping Rams that butt with ragged hornes, And brouze vpon each banke with sweete repast, Shall not my iealous head with wreathes adorne, (But heaven forgive my follie that is past;) I will not fancie Cynthia, since she In my distresse scornes to converse with me.

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The Argument of Protagoras.

DRotagoras adored the stones of the altar. conceiuing them to be happie, as the Phylosopher Aristotle witnesseth: Lapides, ex quibus ara struebantur, fælices effe putabat, quod honorentur. thought the very stones themselves to be happie, of which the altars were builded, because (faith he) they might be honoured. In this Argument, be fuch men shadowed, as most impiously worship the creature for the Creator, the worke for the worker. Therefore haue I subinserted this Satyre, to inueigh against the senslesse Gentiles and Painims, who in the foolishnesse of their hearts, vsed to adore stockes, stones, plants, and fenslesse creatures, Nunc deorum caufam agam; I will now pleade the cause of God, so iniuriously dealt withall by his owne workmanship. Alexander himfelfe being but a mortall man as we our felues be. commanded Callistenes his Scholemaister to be flaine, because He would not worship Him for a god: much more aboue comparison, may God who is immortall and onely to be feared, punish yea and destroy them that in contempt of his infinite power and all-working maiestie, adore the Sunne, Moone, and Starres, Isis and Osyris, with many other vaine, idolatrous, and profane venerations, derogating from the power and incomprehenfible

Cic. de nat. deor.

Alan, de conquest, nat.

henfible effence of God. When a King beholds his fubiects to referue their allegiance to any Monarch saue himselfe, He makes them to be proclaimed Traitors to his Crowne and person: Euen so the King of heaven, when He feeth any subject of his (as we be all and happie if fo we be, and not flaues to the captiuitie and thraldome of finne,) presently proscribeth him, or will punish him with death, left others by his impunitie should attempt the like. Wherefore then should any profane man, fo ouershadowed with the duskie clouds of error and impietie, transgresse the deuine precepts, Lawes, and Ordinances of the Almightie; those eternall decrees established and enacted in the glorious Synod of heaven, by relinquishing the sweet promifes of God, and communicating the worship of the Creator with the creature, as if there were a distribution to be made vnto either? But I will referre them to this following Satyre.

THE THIRTEENTH SATYRE.

Rotagoras both wicked and profane, Wicked in life, profane in worshipping, Adored stones: (fee Pagans, fee your shame) And thought them worthie too of reverencing; For if the gods be honoured, said He, Needs must the stones whereof their Temples be.

The like conceit He had of altars too, And of the stones whereof they were erected, To which He oft would folemne worship doe,

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And taxe fuch men by whom they were neglected; Wishing sometime He were an altar stone, That to himselfe like honour might be done.

A infl reproofe to all Idolaters. Thou sensleffe man depriu'd of reasons lore, What grace art thou (forlorne) endewd withall, That thou shoulds shrines and sensleffe stones adore, That have no eares to heare when thou doest call? Thou deemes these relikes happie, when god wot, If they were happie, yet they know it not.

The Altar is the shrine thou offrest to,
Thy incense, sacrifice, and fat of beasts,
Which on the altar thou art wont to do,
Not to the altar where thou makes request;
For it's eniound thee by expresse command,
To kneele to nothing sashion'd by mans hand.

* Ingentes lapidū ftrues erigit, nec tam curat quo erigit qua curiofe difponere quod arte conficit, &c. The Manuall artist sets vp* heapes of stones, Erecting curious Statues to adore, But what are these, can they attend our mones? No, they have eares to heare, but heare no more Then rubbish, clay, or stone, whereof they'r said, (And such were Pagan Idols) to be made.

Stadium folis.

Turne thee vnto the East, from whence the Sunne Hath his arising, whence He doth proceed, As Bridegroome from his chamber, and doth run His spacious course with such a passing speed, As twentie soure houres He doth onely borrow, To post the world from end to end quite thorow.

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Each plant on earth, each creature in the fea,
From whence have they their grouth, I pray thee fay?
Do they derive't from stones or imagerie?
Nay, I must tell thee, thou art by the way,
It's no inferiour power brings this to passe,
But his, who is, shall be, and ever was.

And he it is who notes thy errors past,
And can revenge, though He the time adiourne;
Whose love vnto his sheepe doth ever last,
And still expects and waits for thy returne;
But how can He to thee in kindnesse shew him,
That gives thee hands, yet will not lift them to him?

Deus cū maxime iratus, non iratus, cum iratus propitius, &c.. Qui fecit te fine te, non faluabit te fine te. August.

Vngratefull thou to have that ill conceit,
Of his all-being and all-feeing power,
Whose blest tuition guards vs and our state,
Whose furest hold is like a fading slower,
That springs and dies, such is the pompe of man,
As there He ends in earth where He began.

Horror of men, contempt to thy beginning, Shame to the world, wherein thou doest furuiue, Whose best religion is an act of sinning, In which thou meanes to die, and loues to live; What shall these shrines associate thee after death, The breath of life? no, for they have no breath.

Then here Ile leave thee, yet with forrow too, Thy Image moves compassion, though't may be, Thou'lt aske the reason why I should do so, Since forrowes source hath lost her course in thee: Exorto tremore, erubescet conscientia, obfupescet conscia mentis scientia, & ducendi facultates penitus amittent organa, & c. To which I may in reason thus reply, My eyes are wet, because thy eyes are dry.

Yet will I to the altar, not t' adore it,
But offer incense to afsoile thy sin;
Where full of teares I'le weepe, and weeping ore it,
Wish thy returne, that thou may honour him,
Whose worship thou prophan'd (as was vnsit)
*Entitling any creature vnto it.

Numen si diuidis, perdis.



Three other Satyres composed by the fame Author, treating of these three distinct subjects.

- 1. Tyrannie, perfonated in Eurystheus.
- 2. Securitie, in Alcibiades.
- 3. Reuenge, in Perillus. With an Embleme of Mortalitie, in Agathocles.

The Argument.

E Vrysheus a potent and puissant Prince of Greece, by the instigation of Iuno imposed Hercules most difficult labours, to the end to have him dispatched. But of such invincible patience was Hercules in suffering, and of such resolution in performing, as to his succeeding glory he purchased

chafed himselfe honour through their hate, gaining to himselfe renowne, where his foe intended ineuitable reuenge. Whence we may collect two remarkable things, no leffe fruitfull in observing, then delightfull in perusing. The one is, to note how prompt and prepared men of depraued or vicious disposition are, to put in execution the pleasure of great ones, how indirect or vnlawfull foeuer their pleafures be: directing and addressing their employments to the bent of their command, be it wrong or right. And these are fuch who account it good fauing policie, to keepe euer correspondence with greatnesse, esteeming no supportance firmer, no protection safer, then to hold one course with those high-mounting Cedars, from whose grouth the lower shrubs receiue shadow and shelter. The fecond which I note, is to observe what glorious and prosperous fuccesse many haue, who pursued and iniuriously persecuted (like Zenocrates Sparrow) either find fome compassionate bosome to cheare & receive them, or by the affiftance of an vnconfined power, attaine a noble iffue in midst of all occurren-To infift on inflances, were to enlarge an Argument aboue his bounds: few or none there are who have not or may not, have instance in the one, as well as perfonall experience in the other. Especially when we recal to mind how many inflant & imminent dangers have bene threatned vs. & how many gracious and glorious deliuerances tendred vs. Some other excellent observations might be culled or felected from the flowrie border of this subject L 3

fubiect, but my purpose is rather to shadow at some, then amply to dilate on all. For I have ever observed, how Arguments of this nature are to most profit composed, when they are not so amply as aptly compiled: Long and tedious discourses being like long services, tending more to surfet then solace; whereas the pleasure of varietie, draweth on a new appetite in midst of satietie. Now to our proposed taske: where you shall see how harmelesse innocencie shuffels out of the hands of boundlesse crueltie.

THE SATYRE.

Hoe Euristheus, I am hither fent,
From Iunoes Princely pallace to thy Court,
To tell thee, thou must be her instrument,
(And to that purpose she hath chus'd thee for't)
To chastife Hercules, growne eminent
By his renowned conquests: do not show
Thy selfe remisse, Iuno will have it so.

And Iuno shall; I will such taskes impose,
That earth shall wonder how they were invented,
So as his life he shall be sure to lose,
What do I care, so Iuno be contented,
Darknesse shall not my secresses disclose?
Her will is my command, nor must I aske
Whence's her distast; come yong man heare your taske

* Hesperidum horti in custodes, peruigiles retinent sorores. A fruitfull * garden, full of choyce delights, Enricht with fprayes of gold and apples too, Which by three sisters watch'd both dayes and nights, Yeeld

Yeeld no acceffe vnto th'inuading foe, Is thy first progresse; where with doubtfull fight, Thou must performe thy taske: this is the first, Which if it prove too easie, next is worst.

For in this first thou art to deale with women, . And reape a glorious prize when thou hast done; And fuch an enterprize (I know) is common, Crowning vs great by th'triumph we have wonne: * Gold is fo strange a baite, as there is no man, But he will hazard life to gaine that prize, Which makes men fooles that are supposed wife.

* Aurifera nemora teretem ferentia corticem, aureumq; pomum.

But next taske shall be of another kind, No golden apples pluckt from Hesperie: For in this worke thou nought but dong shalt find, *Augean stables must thy labour be. Which if thou cleare not, as I have affign'd, Death shall attend thee: tis in vaine to come, By prayers or teares to change my fatall doome.

* Augei stabuli, &c.

The third, that hideous Hydra, which doth breed Increase of heads, for one being cut away, Another springs up streight way in her stead: Hence then away, and make me no delay, Delay breeds danger, do what I have faid, Which done thou lives, which unperform'd thou dies, He concheth all his labours (infi-This faid; Alcydes to his labour hies.

* Abscisso capite, caput renafcitur alterum.

Alas (poore man) how well it may be faid, So many are the perils he must passe, That he with dangers is invironed?

nite in number and nature) in these three.

So hopeleffe and fo hapleffe is his cafe, As he by death is fo encompassed, That howsoere his power he meanes to trie, Poore is his power, he must be forc'd to die.

Imperious tyrant, couldst thou wreake thy rage
On none but such whose valour hath bene showne,
As a victorious Mirror to this age,
And hath bene blas'd where thou wer't neuer knowne?
Must thou his person to such taskes engage,
As stesh and bloud did neuer yet sustaine?
Well, he must trie, although he trie in vaine.

* Non terret mors fapientem. * Thales milefius interroganti quid difficile; fenem (inquit) videre tyrannum. Yes, he will trie, and act what he doth try,
He'le tug and tew, and strive and sloope to ought,
Yea* die, if so with honour he may die,
Yet know, that those who have his life thus sought,
Are but insulting types of * tyrannie, (shelves,
Whose boundlesse splene, when He hath past these
Will be disgorg'd, and fall vpon themselves.

For fee, thou cruell fauage, whose desire Extends to bloud, how this adventr'ous Knight, Gaines him renowne, and scorneth to retire, Till he hath got a conquest by his sight: So high heroick thoughts where to aspire, As when extremest dangers do enclose them, They sleight those foes that labour to oppose them.

* Pro telo gerit quæ fudit, armatus venit Leone & Hydra. Senec. Here fee those taskes which thy imperious power, Impos'd this Noble champion, sinished; The Serpent, * Hydra, which of heads had store,

Now

Now headleffe lies by valour conquered, The stables purg'd from th'filth they had before, The golden Apples Trophies of his glorie, Dilate their ends vnto an endlesse storie.

Here fee th'euent where vertue is the aime. Here fee the iffue of a glorious mind, Here fee how martiall honour makes her claime, Here fee the crowne to diligence affign'd, Here fee what all may fee, a fouldiers fame, Not tipt with fruitleffe titles, but made great, More by true worth, then by a glorious feate.

For fuch, whose native merit hath attain'd Renowne'mongst men, should *aduerfe gusts assaile them * Si sola nobis adsunt prosperation fuch an Orbe rest their resolues contain'd, ran solumer: ad As well they may inuade but not appall them, For from esteeme of earth they'r wholly wain'd, Planting their mounting thoughts voon that sphere, Which frees fuch minds as are infranchis'd there.

virtutem vero melius per ad-uerfa folidamur Greg.

Hence learne ye Great-ones, who esteeme it good Sufficient to be great, and thinke't well done, Be't right or wrong, what's done in heate of blood, Hence learne your state, lest ye decline too foone, For few ere firmely flood, that proudly flood. But specially ye men that are in * place, Iudge others as your felues were in fame cafe.

* Locum virtus habet. Sen.

Here have you had a mirror to direct Your wayes, and forme your actions all the better, Which president if carelesse, ye neglect,

And

And walke not by this line, live by this letter, Hows'ere the world may tender you respect, Ye are but gorgeous paintings daubed over, Clothing your vice with some more precious cover.

Hence likewife learne ye whom the frowne of fate, Hath fo deprest, as not one beame doth shine Vpon the forlorne mansion of your state, To beare with patience and giue way to time, So shall ye vie with Fortune in her hate; And prize all earths contents as bitter-sweete, Which armes you 'gainst all fortunes ye can meete.

* Has Hydra fensit, his iacent Stymphalides. *Ibid*. This great Alcydes did, who did with eafe (For what's vneasie to a mind prepard)
Discomsit * th' Hydra and th' Stymphalides,
With whom he cop'd, encountred long and warr'd,
And gain'd him glory by such acts as these.
Observe this Morall (for right sure I am)
The imitation shewes a perfect man.

—Neffus hos ftruxit dolos. Ictus fagittis qui tuis vitam expulit. Cruore tincta eft Palla femiferi, pater. Neffuique nunc has exigit pænas fibi. in Herr. Oet.

The last not least, which may observed be, Is to suppresse splene or conceived hate, Which in persidious * Nessus you may see, Fully portraid, who meerely through deceit, Practis'd Alcydes wofull Tragedy:
For of all passions, there's no one that hath More sourceignty ore man, then boundlesse wrath.

Which to restraine, (for wherein may man show Himselfe more manly, then in this restraint) That there is nought more generous, you should know, Then

Then true* compassion to the indigent, Which even humanitie faith, that we owe One to another, while we vie to tender Love to our Maker, in him to each member. Flete Herenleos numina casus. ibid.

Thus if ye do, how low foere ye be, Your actions make you noble, and shall live After your fummons of Mortalitie, And from your ashes such a perfume give, As shall eternize your blest memorie: If otherwife ye liue, ye are at best But guilded gulls, and by opinion bleft.



The Argument.

Lcibiades a noble Athenian, whose glorious & renowned actions gained him due esteeme in Others are of ohis Country: at last by retiring himselfe fro armes, was drawne gaue his mind to fenfuality; which so effeminated ons to the pr his once imparallel'd fpirit, as he became no leffe tipe of ve remarkable for fenfuall libertie, then he was be-firm fore memorable for ennobled exploits of martiall peares otherwife chiualrie. From hence the Satyre deriues his fub-quenting T iect, inueying against the remissesse of fuch as panie. waine their affections from employment, exposing Alcib. their minds (those glorious or resplendent images of their Maker) to fecuritie, rightly termed the diuels opportunitie. How perillous vacancie from affaires

faires hath euer bene, may appeare by ancient and moderne examples, whose Tragicall catastrophe wold craue teares immix'd with lines. Let this fuffice, there is no one motive more effectually mouing, no Rhetoricke more mouingly perfwading, no Oratorie more perswasiuely inducing, what we daily feele or apprehend in our felues. Where euery * houre not well employed, begets fome argument or other to moue our corrupt natures to be depraued. Let vs then admit of no vacation, faue onely vacation from vice. Our liues are too fhort to be fruitlefly employed, or remifly O then how well fpent is that oyle which confumes it felfe in actions of vertue

* Quot horæ (fi male expensæ) tot iræ. Quot horse, tot vmbræ.

> Whose precious selfe's a glory to her selfe! May nothing fo much be estranged fro vs as vice, which, of all others, most disfigures vs; Though our feete be on earth, may our minds be in heaven: where we shall find more true glory then earth can affoord vs, or the light promifes of fruitlesse vanity assure vs. Expect then what may merit your attention; a rough-hew'd Satyre shall fpeake his mind boldly without partiality, taxing fuch who retire from action, wherein vertue confifteth, and lye fleeping in fecuritie, whereby the fpirit, or inward motion of the foule wofully droupeth.

THE SATYRE.

Wake, thou noble Greeke! how should desire, Of fenfuall shame (foules staine) fo dull thy wit, Or cloud those glorious thoughts which did aspire, Once to exploits which greatnesse might besit t Where now the beamlins of that sacred sire, Lie rak't in ashes, and of late do seeme (So ranke is vice) as if they had not bene.

Can a faith-breaking leering * Curtizan, Whose face is glaz'd with frontlesse impudence, Depresse the spirit of a Noble man, And make him lose his reason for his sence? O span thy life (for life is but a span) And thou shalt find the scantling is so small, For vaine delights there is no * time at all!

* Illa pictura vitij est. Ambro/ Hexam.l.6.c.8.

Shall azur'd breast, sleeke skin, or painted cheeke, *Gorgeous attire, locks braided, wandring eye, Gaine thee delight, when thou delights should seeke In a more glorious object? O relie On a more sirme soundation, lest thou breake, Credit with Him who long hath given thee trust, Which thou must pay be sure, for he is iust.

* Sicut capillus non peribit de capite, ita nec momentum de tempore. Bern. * All gorgeous attire is the attire of finne.

O do not then admire, what thy desire
Should most contemne, if reason were thy guide;
Let thy erected thoughts extend farre higher,
Then to these wormelins that like *shadowes glide,
Whose borrowed beautie melts with heate of fire.
Their shape from *shop is bought and brought; o art
What canst thou promise to a knowing heart!

* Sunt ista poematis vmbræ.

A knowing heart, which plants her choicest bliffe In what it sees not, but doth comprehend * Quarum vnicum est officiū, ab officina elicere formam. Lecythum habet in malis. vid. vičl. ad Sal.

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* Ea vita beata eft, quando quod optimum eft, amatur & habetur. Sola eius vifio, vera mentis nostræ resectio est. Greg. in Mor. Expo. in Iob. By eye of faith! not what terrestriall is, But what affoordeth * comfort without end, Where we enioy whats euer we did wish; Who then, if he partake but common sence, Will ere reioyce, till he depart from hence?

Yet fee the blindnesse of distracted man,
How he prefers one moment of delight,
(Which cheares not much when it does all it can)
Before delights in nature infinite,
Whose iuyce (yeelds perfect fullnesse, sure I am:)
O times! when men love that they should neglect,
Disualving that which they should most respect.

* Quanta amētia est estigiem mutare naturæ, picturam quærere? Cypri de discip. & hab. virg. For note how many have adventured
Their lives (and happy they if that were all)
And for a * painted trunke have perished;
O England, I thy selfe to witnesse call,
For many hopefull plants have withered
Within thy bosome, cause whereof did spring,
Mearely from lust, and from no other thing!

How many promising youths, whose precious bloud Shed by too resolute hazard, might have done Their gracious Prince and native Countrie good, In heate of bloud have to their ruine gone, While they on termes of reputation stood, Preferring titles (see the heate of strife) Before the love and safetie of their life?

* Inanis gloriæ fuccum proprie faluti præponentes.

> O Gentlemen, know that those eyes of yours, Which should be piercing like the * Eagles eyes,

* Cunctarum quippe auium

Are

Are not to view these Dalilahs of ours, But to eye heaven and sullen earth despise, And so increase in honours as in houres, O ye should find more happinesse in this, Then spend the day in courting for a kisse!

Were time as easie purchas'd as is land, Ye better might dispense with losse of time; Or 'twere in you to make the Sunne to stand, So many points t'ascend or to decline, I'de say ye had the world at command: But as time * past, is none of yours, once gone, So that time is not yours, which is to come.

Addresse your selves then to that glorious place, Where there's no time, no limit to consine, No alteration: but where such a grace, Or perfect lustre beautifies the clime, Where ye'r to live, as th'choisest chearefullst face, Ye ere beheld on earth, were't nere * so faire, Shall seeme desormitie to beautie there.

But this shall serve for you! now in a word, Heare me * Timandra (for I must be heard;) Thou whose light shop all vanities affoord, Reclaime thy sensuall life, which hath appear'd As odious and offensive to thy Lord, As those lascivious robes (robes suiting night) Are in disgrace, when good men are in sight.

More to enlarge my felfe were not fo good, Perhaps this litle's more then thou wilt reade: vifum acies aquilæ fuperat: ita vt folis radios fixos in fecius oculos nulla lucis fuæ corufcatione reuerberans, claudat. Greg. in Mor. Expof. in Iob.

* Quicquid de illo præteritum eft, iam non eft: quicquid ne illo futurum eft, nondum eft. Aug.

* Videndo pulchra, cogita
hæc omnia, &
pulchriora, effe
in cœlo: videndo horribilia,
cogita hæc omnia, & horribiliora, effe in
inferno. Lanf-

perg.
* In Timandræ
gremio paululū
recumbens, perimitur. Plut. in
vit. Alcib.

But if thou reade, I wish't may stirre thy blood, And move thee henceforth to take better heed, Then to transgresse the bounds of womanhood: Whose chiefest essence in these source appeare, In gate, looke, speech, and in the robes you weare.



The Argument.

Erillus an excellent Artificer (being then famous for excellent inuentions) to fatisfie the inhumane disposition of the tyrant Phalaris, as alfo in hope to be highly rewarded for his ingenious device: made a bull of braffe for a new kind of torment, prefenting it to Phalaris, who made triall thereof by tormenting Perillus first therein. From this Argument or subject of revenge, we may observe two speciall motives of Morall instruction or humane Caution. The first is, to deterre vs from humoring or foothing fuch, on whom we have dependence, in irregular or finifler respects. For the vertuous, whose comfort is the testimonie of a good conscience, scorne to hold correspondence with vicious men, whose commands euer tend to depraued and enormious ends. fecond is, a notable example of revenge in Perillus fuffering, & in Phalaris inflicting. Much was it that this curious Artizan expected, but with equall & deserved censure was he rewarded: for inglorious aimes

feconded by like ends. Hence the Satyre difplayeth fuch in their natiue colours, who rather then they will lose the least esteeme with men of high ranke or qualitie, vse to dispence with faith, friend, and all, to plant them firmer in the affection of their Patron. But observe the conclusion, as their meanes were indirect, so their ends sorted euer with the meanes. They feldome extend their temporizing houres to an accomplished age, but haue their hopes euer blasted, ere they be well bloomed: their iniurious aimes discouered, ere they be rightly leuelled: and their wishes to a tragicall period exposed, as their desires were to all goodnesse opposed. May all projectors or stateforragers fustaine like censure, having their natures fo reluctant or opposite to all correspondence with honour. Longer I will not dilate on this fubiect, but recollect my spirits, to adde more spirit to my ouer-tyred Satyre, who hath bene so long employed in the Embaffie of Nature, and wearied in dancing the Wilde mans measure. that after Perillus censure she must repose ere she proceede any further; and take some breath ere I dance any longer.

THE SATYRE.

Baue Enginer, you whose more curious hand Hath fram'd a Bull of brasse by choycest art, That as a Trophie it might euer stand, And be an Embleme of thy cruell heart: Hearke what's thy tyrant Phalaris command,

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Whose will's a law; and having heard it well, Thy censure to succeeding ages tell.

Thou must (as it is iust) be first presented
A facrifice vnto the brazen Bull,
And feele that torture which thy art invented,
That thou maist be rewarded to the full;
No remedy, it cannot be prevented.
Thus, thus revenge appeares which long did smother,
He must be catcht, that aimes to catch another.

Iust was thy iudgement, Princely Phalaris, Thy censure most impartiall; that he Whose artfull hand that first contriued this, To torture others, and to humour thee, Should in himselfe feele what this torture is. Which great or small, he must be forc'd to go, May such * tame-beasts be ever wsed so.

* For fo Diogenes the Cynicke tearmes all humering Timifls or temporising sycophants. Laert.

* Who built Pallas horse, and after persided in the siege of Troy Homer, in Iliad

Like fate befell vnhappie * Phereclus,
Who first contriu'd by cunning more then force,
To make once glorious Troy as ruinous
As spoile could make it: therefore rear'd a Horse,
Framed by Pallas art, as curious,
As art could forme, or cunning could invent,
To weave his end, which art could not prevent.

See ye braue state-proiectors, what's the gaine
Ye reape by courses that are indirect:
See these, who first contriv'd, and first were staine,
May mirrors be of what ye most affect!
These labour'd much, yet labour'd they in vaine;

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For there's no wit how quicke foere can do it, If powers divine shall make a resistance to it.

And can ye thinke that heaven, whose glorious eye Surveyes this Vniverse, will daigne to view Men that are given to all impietie? You say, he will; he will indeed, it's true; But this is to your further misery. For that same eye which viewes what you commit, Hath sight to see, and power tob punish it.

To punish it, if hoording fin on fin,
Ye loath Repentance, and bestow your labour,
Onely to gaine esteeme, or else to win
By your pernicious plots some great mans fauour;
O I do see the state that you are in,
Which cannot be redeem'd, vnlesse betime
With c sighs for sins, you wipe away your crime!

For shew me one, (if one to shew you have)
Who built his fortunes on this fandie ground,
That ever went gray-headed to his grave,
Or neare his end was not distressed found,
Or put not trust in that which did deceive!
Sure few there be, if any such there be,
But shew me one, and it sufficeth me.

I grant indeed, that for a time these may Flourish like to a Bay tree, and increase, Like Oliue branches, but this lasts not aye, Their d Halcyon dayes shall in a moment ceasse,

tur, tantum à me afferendum afferendumque effe puto. Etiam Ciconiain cello nouit flata tempora fua, & Turtur, grufque, & Hirundo obferuant tempus aduentus fui. *Ierem.* 8. 7.

a Witnesse that matchleffe Powder plot, no lesse miraculously renealed, then mischieuously contriued, no lesse happily preuen-ted, then hate-fully practifed. Of which cruell Ágents (being owne subiecls) our graci-ous Soueraigne might iuftly take up the complaint that Princely oj inai I Prophet Dauid. My familiar friends, who I trufted, which did eate of my bread, haue lifted vp their heeles against me. Psal. 51. and 55. Si non parcet, perdet. b Vbi non eft per gratiam, adest per vindictam. Aug. c Qui non gemit peregrinus, non gaudebit ciuis. Aug.

d Halcyonei dies ab Halcyonijs auibus dichi: neque boni maliue ominis aues hos effe arbitror; quantum tamen à Propheta dicitur, tantum à ait flata tempora 164

When night (fad night) shall take their soules away. Then will they tune their strings to this fad fong, Short was our sun-shine, but our night-shade long.

Ye then, I say, whose youth-deceiving prime, Promise successe, beleeve't from me, that this, When time shall come (as what more swift then time) Shall be converted to a painted blisse, Whose gilded outside beautiside your crime; Which once displaide, cleare shall it shew as light, Your Sommer-day's become a winter night.

* Pari culpa, pari pœna, Beware then ye, who practife and invent,
To humour greatnesse; for there's one more great,
Who hath pronounc'd, like *sinne, like punishment;
Whom at that day ye hardly may intreat,
When death and horror shall be eminent:
Then will ye say unto the Mountaines thus,
And shadie groves, Come downe and cover vs.

The priviledge of greatnesse, must be no subterfuge for guiltinesse.

But were ye great as earthly pompe could make ye, Weake is the arme of flesh, or *mightinesse, For all these feeble hopes shall then forsake ye, With the false shourish of your happinesse, When ye vnto your field-bed must betake ye; Where ye for all your shapes and glozed formes, Might deceive men, but cannot deceive wormes.



The Statue of *Agathocles*.

The Argument.

Gathocles a tyrant of Syracufa, caused his Statue to be composed in this manner. The *head *Caput de auof gold, armes of inory, and other of the liniments of gis dignitatem brachia de ebopurest braffe, but the feete of earth: intimating of re intimando eius venustawhat weake and infirme fubfistence this little-tem, cætera li-Whence we may col-denotado ftreworld, Man, was builded. lect, what divine confiderations the Pagans them-des vero de felues observed and vsually applied to rectifie their do eius fragilimorall life: where instructions of nature directed Apotheg. them, not onely in the course of humane societie, but euen in principles aboue the reach and pitch of Nature, as may appeare in many Philosophicall Axioms, and diuinely inferted fentences in the Workes of Plato, Plutarch, Socrates; and amongst the Latines in the inimitable labours of Seneca, Boæthius, Tacitus, and Plinius Secundus. Vpon the Morall of this Statue of Agathocles infifts the Author in this Poeme, concluding with this vndoubted position: That as foundations on fand are by every tempest shaken, so man standing on feete of earth, hath no firmer foundation then mutabilitie to ground on.

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THE EMBLEME.

Gathocles, me thinkes I might compare thee, (So rare thou art) to fome choice statuarie, Who doth portray with Pencile he doth take, Himselfe to th'image which he's wont to make; How artfull thou, and gracefull too by birth, A King, yet shewes that thou art made of earth, Not glorying in thy greatnesse, but would feeme, Made of the same mould other men have bene! A head of gold, as thou art chiefe of men, So chiefe of mettalls makes thy Diadem; Victorious armes of purest inorie, Which intimates the persons puritie; The other liniments compos'd of braffe, Imply th'undaunted strength of which thou was; But feete of earth, shew th'ground whereon we stand, That we're cast downe in turning of a hand. Of which, that we might make the better vie, Me thinkes I could dilate the Morall thus. Man made of earth, no furer footing can Prefume vpon, then earth from whence he came, Where firmeneffe is infirmeneffe, and the stay On which he builds his strongest hopes, is clay. And yet how strangely confident he growes, In heaven-confronting boldneffe and in showes, Bearing a Giants spirit, when in length, Height, breadth, and pitch he is of Pigmeis strength. Yea I have knowne a very Dwarfe in fight. Conceit himselfe a Pyramis in height, Ietting fo stately, as't were in his power

To mount aloft unto the airie tower. But when Man's proud, I should esteeme't more meete Not to prefume on's strength, but looke on's feete: Which nature (we observe) hath taught the * Swan, And ought in reason to be done in Man. Weake are foundations that are rer'd on fand, And on as weake grounds may we feeme to stand, Both fubiect to be ruin'd, fplit and ras't, One billow shakes the first, one griefe the last. Whence then or how fubfifts this earthly frame, That merits in it felfe no other name, Then *fhell of base corruption! it's not brasse. Marble, or iuory, which when times paffe, And our expired fates furceasse to be, Referve in them our living memorie. No, no, this mettall is not of that proofe, We live as those under a shaking roofe, Where every moment makes apparent show, For want of props of finall overthrow. Thus then, me thinkes you may (if so you please) Apply this Statue of Agathocles; As he compos'd his royall Head of gold, The purst of mettals, you are thereby told, That th'Head whence reason and right iudgement Should not be pesterd with inferior things; (springs, And as his active sinnewes, armes are faid, To shew their purenesse, to be inored, Like Pelops milke-white shoulders; we are given To vnderstand, our armes should be to heaven, As to their proper orbe enlarg'd, that we Might there be made the Saints of puritie; By reft of th'parts which were compos'd of braffe, M 4 (Being

* O quam contempta res est homo, nisi supra humana se erexerit! (Being of bigger bone then others was)
We may collect, men made of felfe-fame clay,
May in their strength do more then others may,
Lastly on earth, as men subsistence have,
Their earthly *feete do hasten to their grave.

* Pes in terris, mens fit in coelis.



A fhort Satyre of a corrupt Lawyer.

THE XIIII. SATYRE.

Nato Iuridicus.

As is sicke of late, but how canst tell?

He hath a swelling in his throate I feare;

I iudg'd as much, me thought He spake not well,

In his poore clients cause: nay more I heare,

His tumour's growne so dang'rous, as some say,

He was absolved but the t'other day.

And what confest He? not a sinne I trow,
Those He reserv'd within a leatherne bag,
And that's his conscience; did He mercy show
Vnto the poore? not one old rotten rag
Would he affoord them, or with teares bemone them,
Saying, that—sorma pauperis had vndone them.

Did He not wish to be dissolu'd from hence? No, when you talk'd of finall Dissolution,

He with a fea of teares his face would drench, Wishing He might but make another motion, And He would be diffolu'd when He had done: But His forg'd motion each tearme day begun.

Had He fome matter laid vpon his heart?
Abundance of corruption, foule infection.
Did He no fecret treasure there impart?
Nought but a boxe containing his complexion.
What was it Sir, fome precious oyle of grace?
No, but an oyle to smeere his brazen face.

Oleum gratiæ έλαιον.

I have heard much of his attractive nofe
How He could draw white Riols with his breath;
It's true indeed, and therefore did He choose
To drinke Aurum potabile at his death,
Nor car'd He greatly if He were to lose
His soule, so that He might enion his nose.

Aurŭ palpabile & aurum potabile; Aurum obrizum & aurum adulterinum.

It was a wonder in his greatest paine, How He should have remorse; for well I know, In his successive fortunes nought could straine His hardned conscience, which He would not do For hope of gaine, so as in time no sinne So great, but grew familiar with him.

O Sir, the many fees He had receiv'd, (him, And hood-winck'd bribes which at his death oppress The forged deeds his wicked braine contriv'd And that blacke buckram bag which did arrest him, Commencing suite in one, surcharg'd Him so, That He was plung'd into a gulph of wo.

170 PSEVDOPHILIA.

O what a fmoke of powder there appeared At the diffoluing of his vglie foule; All that were prefent there to fee Him feared, His case vncas'd did show so grim, so soule: Yet there were some had hope He would do well, Make but one motion, and come out of hell.

But others fear'd that motion would be long, If it should answer motions He made here: Besides, that place of motions is so throng, That one will scarce have end a thousand yeare. Then Naso fare thee well, for I do see, Earth sends to hell thy mittimus with thee.



Two fhort moderne Satyres.

In Ambulantem. Hypocritam.

Malking Hypocrite there was, whose pace, Trunkhose, small ruffe, deminutive in forme, Shew'd to each man He was the child of grace, Such were the vertues did his life adorne; Nought could He heare that did of lightnesse come, But He would stop his eares, or leave the roome.

Discourse (thus would He fay) of things deuine, Soyle not your soules with such lasciniousnesse.

Your

Your vessels should with precious vertues shine, As lamps of grace and lights of godlinesse; But lasse for wo, sin's such a fruitfull weed, Still as one dies another doth succeed.

Here one doth beate his braine 'bout practifes,
There is another plotting wickedneffe;
O how long Lord wilt thou blindfold their eyes,
In fuffering them to worke vnrighteoufneffe?
Well, I will pray for them, and Syons peace,
The prayers of Saints can no way chuse but please.

Thus did this mirror of deuotion walke, Infpir'd it feem'd with fome Angelicke gift, So holy was his life, fo pure his talke, As if the fpirit of zeale had Ely left, And lodg'd within his breast, it could not be, Fuller of godly feruor then was He.

But see what end these salse pretences have,
Where zeale is made a cloke to cover sinne,
This whited wall to th'eye so seeming grave,
Like varnish'd tombes had nought but filth within,
For though of zeale He made a formall show,
In Fortune Alley was his Rendevow.

There He repos'd, there He his folace tooke, Shrin'd neare his Saint, his female-puritan, In place fo private as no eye could looke, To what they did, to manifest their shame; But fee heavens will, those eyes they least suspected, First ey'd their shame, whereby they were detected.

Thus

172 IN POLIGONVM.

Thus did his speech and practife disagree
In one examplar, formall, regular,
In th'other loose through carnall libertie,
Which two when they do meete, so different are,
As there's no discord worse in any song,
Then twixt a hollow heart and holy tongue.

For He that doth pretend, and think't enough,
To make a shew of what He least intends,
Shall ere the period of his dayes run through,
Beshrew himselfe for his mischieuous ends;
For he that is not good, but would be thought,
Is worse by odds then this plaine dealing nought.



In Drufum meretricium Adiutorem.

Rusus, what makes thee take no trade in hand, But like Hermaphrodite, halfe man, halfe wom? Pandors thy selfe, and stands at whoores command, To play the bolt for every Haxter common? Spend not thy houres with whoores, less thou confesse, There is no life to thy obduratenesse.

Obdurate villaine hard'ned in ill,
That takes delight in feeing Nature naked,
Whose pleasure drawne from selfe-licentious will,
Makes thee of God, of men, and all forsaked;
Shame

Shame is thy chaine, thy fetters linkes of sinne, Whence to escape is hard, being once lock'd in.

What newes from Babell, where that purple whoore, With feared marrow charmes deluded man, So lull'd afleepe, as He forgets heavens power, And ferves that hireling-Neapolitan? I'le tell thee Drusus, fad and heavie newes, Death vnto Drusus while he hants the stewes.



An Admonition to the Reader vpon the precedent Satyres.

W Ho will not be reprou'd, it's to be fear'd, Scornes to amend, or to redeeme the time; For spotlesse Vertue neuer there appear'd, Where true Humility, that fruitfull vine Hath no plantation, for it cannot be, Grace should have growth but by Humilitie.

Let each man then into his errors looke,
And with a free acknowledgement confesse;
That there are more Errataes in his booke,
Then th'crabbedst Satyre can in lines expresse:
For this will better Him, and make Him grow
In grace with Vertue, whom He knowes not now.

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174 AN ADMONITION.

These my unpolished Satyres I commend, To thy protection, not that I do seare Thy censure otherwise then as a friend, For I am secure of censure I may sweare, But for sorme sake: if shou't accept them do, If not, I care not how the world go.

Thine if thine owne,

Mufophilus.

Silentio culpa crescit.

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Too true poore shepheards do this Prouerbe find, No fooner out of fight then out of mind.



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KINSMAN RICHARD Hvtton Esquire, Sonne and Heire to the much honoured and fincere dispenser of judgement, Sir RICHARD HVTTON Sergeant at Law, and one of the *Iudges* of the Common Pleas:

The fruition of his selectdest wishes.

O sit secure and in a safe repose, Toview the crosse occurrences of those Who are on Sea; or in a filent shade. To eye the state of fuch as are decay'd;

Or neere some filuer Rill or Beechy Groue, To reade how Starre-crost louers lost their loue, Is best of humane blessings, and this best Is in your worthy selfe (Deere Cuz) exprest, Who by your fathers vertues and your owne Are truly lou'd, where feuer you are knowne: In State secure, rich in a faithfull make, [mate And rich in all that may secure your State. Now in these dayes of yours, these Halcion daies. Where you enioy all ioy, peruse these layes, That

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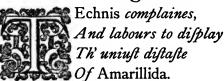
That you who liu'd to love, live where you love, May reade what you nere felt, nor ere did prove; Poore Swainlins crost where they affected most, And crost in that which made them ever crost. Receive this Poem, Sir, for as I live, Had I ought better, I would better give.

RICH: BRATHVVAIT.



THE FIRST PART.

The Argument.



The second Argument.



Ere relates this forlorne Swaine How he woo'd, but woo'd in vaine, Her whose beautie did surpasse Shape of any Country Lasse, Made more to delight the bed,

Than to fee her Lambkins fed; Yet poore Shepheard fee his fate, Loue shee vow'd, is chang'd to hate:

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For being iealous of his loue, Shee her fancie doth remoue, Planting it vpon a Groome, Who by Cupids blindest doome Is preferd vnto those ioyes, Which were nere ordain'd for Boyes: On whose sace nere yet appear'd Downie shew of manly beard. Hauing thus drunke forrows cup, First, he shewes his bringing vp, What those Arts were he profest, Which in homely style exprest, He descends vnto the Swaine Whom he fought by loue to gaine; But preuented of his ayme, Her he showes, but hides her shame.

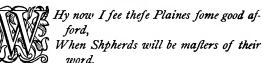
THE SHEPHEARDS TALES.

The shepheards.

Technis. Dymnus. Dorycles. Corydon. Sapphus. Linus.

THE FIRST EGLOGVE.

Technis tale.



Dory. Yes, Technis yes, we fee it now & then That they'le keep touch as wel as greater men, Who can protest and take a folemn vow To doe farre more then they intend to doe.

Dym.

Dym. Stay Dorycles, me thinkes thou goest too farre, Lets talke of Shepheards, as we Shepheards are: For why should we these Great mens errors note, But learne vnto our Cloth to cut our coat. Sapp. Dymnus, 'tis true; we came not to display Great mens abuses, but to passe away The time in Tales, wherein we may relate By one and one our blest or wretched state. Cor. Indeed friend Dymnus therfore came we hither, To shew our Fortune and distresse together, Lin. Proceede then Technis, you'r the eldest Swaine That now feeds Flocks vpon this fruitfull Plaine: So as your age, what feuer we alledge, Doth well deserve that proper priviledge. Tech. As to begin; Lin. So Technis doe I meane. Tech. Thanks Shepherds heartily, that you will daine A hapleffe Swaine fuch grace; which to requite, Ile mix my dolefull Storie with delight, That while yee weepe for griefe, I may allay Your discontent, and wipe your teares away. Dory. On Technis on, and weele attention lend, And wish thy love may have a happie end. Dym. Which showne, each shall reply, and make express When all is done, whose fate's the heaviest. Tech. Attend then Shepheards, now I doe begin, Shewing you first where I had nurturing, Which to vnfold the better, I will chuse No other words then home-spun Heardsmen vse. First then, because some Shepheards may suppose By meere conjecture, I am one of those Who had my breeding on this flowrie Plaine,

I must confesse that they are much mistaine. For if I would, I could strange stories tell Of Platoes and of Aristotles Well, From whence I drain'd fuch drops of divine wit, As all our Swaines could hardly dive to it: Dor. Indeed I've heard much of thee in thy youth Tech. Yes Dorycles, I fay no more than truth. A Prentiship did I in Athens live. Not without hope but I might after give Content and comfort where I should remaine, And little thought I then to be a Swaine: For I may fay to you, I then did feeme One of no small or popular esteeme, But of confort with fuch, whose height of place Aduanced me, because I had their grace: Though now, fince I my Lambkins gan to feede. Clad in my ruffet coat and countrey weede, Those broad-spred Cedars scarce afford a nest Vpon their shadie Boughes, where I may rest. Sapp. It feemes they're great men Technis. Tech. So they are, And for inferiour groundlins, little care. But may they flourish: thus much I am fure, Though Shrubs be not fo high, they're more fecure. Lin. High states indeed are subject to decline. Tech. Yes Linus yes, in this corrupted time We may observe by due experience That where a Person has preeminence, He fo transported growes, as he will checke Ioue in his Throne, till Pride has broke his necke, Whereas so vertuous were precedent times. As they were free not only from the crimes

To which this age's exposed, but did live As men which fcorn'd Ambition. Dymn. Now I dive Into thy meaning Technis; thou do'ft grieue That those who once endeer'd thee, now should leave Thy fellowship. Tech. Nav Dymnus I protest I neuer credited what they profest; For should I grieve to see a furly Lout, Who for observance casts his eye about; In nothing meriting, faue only He Is rich in acres, to difvalue me? Dory. No Technis no, th'art of a higher spirit Than thefe inferiour Gnats, whose only merit Consists in what they have, not what they are. Tech. No Dorycles, for thefe I little care, Nor ever did: though some there be that feede On fuch mens breath. Dymn. Good Technis now proceed. Tech. Having thus long continued, as I faid, And by my long continuance Graduate made, I tooke more true delight in being there, Than euer fince in Court or Country ayre. Sapph. Indeed minds freedome best contenteth men. Tech. And fuch a freedome I enjoyed then, As in those Beechie shades of Hesperie. I planted then my fole felicitie. So as howfere fome of our rurall Swaines Prerogative above all others claimes, (ought. That they have nought, want nought, nor care for Because their minde vnfurnisht is of nought That may accomplish man: I could averre,

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(Howfere I doubt these in opinion erre) That in my breast was treasured more blesse, Then ever fen fuall man could yet poffeffe. For my delights were princely, and not vaine, Where height of knowledge was my only ayme, Whose happy purchase might enrich me more, Then all this trash which worldly men adore. So as if Pan were not the fame he is, He'de wish himselfe but to enion my blisse, Whose choice content afford me so great power, As I might vye with greatest Emperour. Coryd. It feemes thy state was happie; Tech. So it was, And did my present state so farre surpasse, As th' high top'd Cedar cannot beare more show Aboue the lowest Mushrom that doth grow, Or more exceed in glory, than that time Outstripp'd this present happinesse of mine. For tell me Shepheards, what's efteem'd'mongst men The greatest ioy, which I enioy'd not then! For is there comfort in retired life? I did possesse a life exempt from strife. Free from litigious clamour, or report Sprung from commencement of a tedious Court. Is contemplation fweete, or conference, Or ripe conceits? why there's an influence, Drawne from Minerua's braine, where every wit Transcends conceit, and seemes to rauish it. Is it delightfull Shepheards to repose, And all-alone to reade of others woes? Why there in Tragick Stories might we fpend Whole houres in choice discourses to a friend.

And reason of Occurrents to and fro,

And why this thing or that did happen fo, Might it content man, to allay the loade Of a distemperd minde to walke abroad, That he might moderate the thought of care By choice acquaintance, or by change of ayre? What noble conforts might you quickly finde To share in forrow with a troubled minde? What cheerfull Groues, what filent murmuring fprings, Delicious walkes, and ayrie warblings, Fresh flowrie Pastures, Gardens which might please The fenses more then did th' Hesperides, Greene shadie Arbours, curled streames which flow, On whose pure Margins shadie Beeches grow, Myrtle-perfumed Plaines, on whose rer'd tops The merry Thrush and Black-bird nimbly hops And carols fings, fo as the paffers by Would deeme the Birds infus'd with poesse? Sapp. Sure Technis this was earthly Paradife. Tech. Sapphus it was; for what can Swaine deuise To tender all delight to eye or eare, Taste, Smell, or Touch which was not frequent there? Besides; Lin. What could be more, pray Technis fay? Tech. We had more loyes to passe the time away. Dory. What might they be good Technis? Tech. 'Las I know They'r fuch as Shepheards cannot reach vnto. Dym. Yet let vs heare them. Tech. So I meane you shall, And they were fuch as we internall call.

Cor. Infernall, Technis, what is meant by that?

Tech.

Tech. Infernall, no; thou fpeakst thou knowst not what: I meane internall gifts which farre furmount All these externall bounties in account: For by these blessings we shall ever sinde Rich Treasures stored in a knowing minde, Whose glorious inside is a thousand fold more precious than her Case though cloath'd in gold And all Habilliments: for by this light Of Vnderstanding, we discerne whats right From crooked error, and are truly faid To understand by this, why we were made Sapp. Why, we nere thought of this. Lin. Nay, I may fweare I have liv'd on this Downe, this twentie yeare, And that was my least care. Corid. Linus, I vow To feed our Sheepe, was all that we need doe I euer thought. Dory. So Coridon did I. Dymn. The cause of this, good Technis, now descrie. Tech. Heardsmen I will; with purpose to relate, Lest my Discourse should be too intricate, In briefe, (for length makes Memorie to faile) The fubstance of your wishes in a Tale. Within that pitchie and Cymmerian clyme. Certaine Inhabitants dwelt on a time, Who long had in those shadie Mountaines won, Yet neuer faw a glimpse of Sunne or Moon. Yet fee what custome is, though they were pent From fight of Sunne or Moone they were content, Sporting themselves in vaults and arched caues, Not fo like dwelling Houses, as like graves.

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Nor were these men seene ere so farre to roame At any time as halfe a mile from home; For if they had, as th' Historie doth fay, They had beene fure right foone to lofe their way: For darke and mistie were those drerie caues Where they repos'd, so that the wretchedst slaves Could not exposed be to more restraint, Than these poore snakes in th'ragged Mountaines pent; And thus they liu'd.

Lin. But never lou'd.

Tech. To tell

Their loues I will not: but it thus befell, That a great Prince, who to encrease his fame Had conquer'd many Countries, thither came. Sapp. For what good Technis?

Tech. Only to furuey it.

Corid. Why fure he had some Torch-light to display it, For th' Coast you say was darke.

Tech. And fo it was;

But yet attend me how it came to paffe: By meanes he vs'd, having this coast survei'd, With all perswassue reasons he assaid, Partly by faire meanes to induce them to it, Sometimes by threats, when he was forc't unto it, That they would leave that forlorne place, and give Way to perswasion, and resolue to live Neere some more cheerefull Border, which in time They gave confent to, and for fooke their Clime. But fee the strength of Habit, when they came To fee the light they hid themselves for shame, Their eyes grew dazled, and they did not know, Where to retire or to what place to goe:

Yet was the Region pleafant, full of groves, Where th' airy Quiristers expresse their loues One to another, and with Melodie Cheer'd and refresh'd Siluanus Emperie. The warbling Goldfinch on the dangling fpray, Sent out harmonious Musicke euery day; The prettie speckled Violet on the Banke With Pinke and Rose-bud placed in their ranke; Where chafed Violets did so fresh appeare, As they foretold the Spring-time now drew neare; Whose borders were with various colours dy'd, And Prim-rose bankes with odours beautifi'd; Where Cornell trees were planted in great store, Whose checkerd berries beautifi'd the shore. Besides, such gorgeous buildings as no eye Could take a view of fuller Maiestie; Whose curious pillers made of Porphyrite Smooth to the touch, and specious to the fight, Sent from their hollow Cell a crifpling breath, Arched aboue and vaulted vnderneath. Yet could not all these choyce varieties (Which might have given content to choicer eyes) Satisfie these Cimmerians, for their ayme Was to returne vnto their Caues againe, And fo they did: for when the Prince perceiu'd How hard it was from error to be reau'd, Where ignorance difcerns not what is good, Because it is not rightly understood; Hee fent them home againe, where they remain'd From comfort of Societie restrain'd. Dym. Apply this Tale, my Technis; Tech. Heare me then.

You may be well compar'd vnto these men, Who ignorant of knowledge, doe esteeme More of your Flocks, how they may fruitfull feeme, Then of that part, whereby you may be fed From fauage beafts to be distinguished. Dory. Technis you are too bitter: Tech. Not a whit, Shepheards should tell a Shepheard what is fit: Though I confesse that Heardsmen merit praise, When they take care vpon the Flockes they graze. Yet to recount those Swaines of elder time, How some were rapt with Sciences divine. Others adorn'd with Art of Poesie, Others to reason of Astrologie; Swaines of this time might think't a very shame, To be fo bold as to retaine the name Of iolly Heardsmen, when they want the worth (forth. Of those brave Swaines which former times brought Corid. Why, what could they? Tech. Endorse their Names in trees. And write fuch amorous Poems as might please Their deerest loues. Dym. Why Technis what was this, Can we not please our loues more with a kiffe? Dory. Yes Dymnus, thou know'ft that; Dym. Perchance I doe, For Dymnus knowes no other way to wooe. But pray thee Technis let vs fay no more. But hie thee now to where thou left before. Tech. I'me easily entreated; draw then neere, And as I lend a tongue, lend you an eare. Having long lived in Minerua's Grove, My life became an Embleme of pure love.

Dym. Of Loue my Technis, pray thee fay to whom! Tech. As thou mean'st Dymnus, I did fancie none: No; my affection foared higher farre. Than on fuch toyes as now affected are: I doated not on Beautie, nor did take My aime at faire, but did observance make, How humane things be shar'd by divine power, Where fickle faith fcarce constant rests one houre; How highest states were subject's to decline; How nought on Earth but subject vnto Time; How vice though clad in purple was but vice; How vertue clad in rags was still in price; How Common-weales in peace should make for warre; How Honour crownes such as deferuing are. Dory. And yet we fee fuch as deferued most, What ere the cause be, are the oftest crost. Tech. Ile not denie it (Swaine) and yet attend, For all their croffe occurrents, but their end, And thou shalt see the fawning Sycophant Die in difgrace, and leave his Heire in want: While th' honest and deferuing Statesman gives Life to his Name and in his dying liues. This I obseru'd and many things beside, Whilst I in famous Athens did abide: But 'lasse whilst I secure from thought of care, With choifest conforts did delight me there, Free from the tongue of rumor or of strife, I was to take me to another life. Lin. To what good Technis? Tech. To have Harpies clawes; To take my fee and then neglect the cause. Sapp. A Lawier Technis!

Tech.

Tech. So my father faid, Who as he had commanded, I obey'd. But judge now Shepheards, could I chufe to grieve, When I must leave, what I was forc'd to leave, Those sweet delightfull Arts, with which my youth Was first inform'd, and now attain'd such growth, As I did reape more happy comfort thence In one short houre than many Twelve-months since? Corid. This was a hard command. Tech. Yet was it fit I should respect his love imposed it. For ne're had Father showne vnto his sonne More tender love than he to me had done: So as his will was still to me a law, Which I observed more for love than awe, For in that childe few feeds of grace appeare, Whom love doth leffe induce than thought of feare. Having now tane my leave of all the Muses, I made me fit as other Students vies. To waine my minde, and to withdraw my fight From all fuch studies gave me once delight: And to inure me better to discerne Such rudiments as I desir'd to learne, I went to Iohn a Styles, and Iohn an Okes, And many other Law-baptized folkes, Whereby I fet the practise of the Law At as light count as turning of a straw, For ftraight I found how Iohn a Styles did ftate it, But I was over Style ere I came at it; For having thought (fo easie was the way) That one might be a Lawyer the first day: I after found the further that I went,

The further was I from my Element: Yet forafmuch as I esteem'd it vaine, To purchase law still from anothers braine, I stroue to get some law at any rate, At least so much as might concerne my state. Lin. I am more forie for it. Tech. Linus why? Lin.. Because I seare me thou wilt have an eye More to thy private profit, than devise How to attone fuch quarrels as arife. Dym. Technis is none of those. Tech. No, credit me, Though I'me resolved many such there be Who can dispense with sees on either part, Which I have ever formed with my heart; For this shall be my practice, to affay Without a fee to doe you th' good I may. Corid. Technis enough. Tech. Having thus long applide The streame of Law, my aged father dide, Whose vertues to relate I shall not neede, For you all knew him: Doric. So we did indeed: A Patron of all Iustice, doe him right. Sap. Nor was there Art wherein he had no fight. Dym. Yet was he humble. Lin. And in that more bleft. Corid. He lives though feeming dead; Tech. So let him rest. Hauing lost him whose life supported me, You may imagine Shepheards, what might be My hard succeeding fate: downe must I goe

To know if this report were true or no. Which I did finde too true, for he was dead, And had enioun'd me Guardians in his stead To fway my untraind youth. Dym. And what were they? Tech. Such men as I had reason to obey: For their advice was ever for my good, If my greene yeeres fo much had understood: But I puft vp with thought of my demaines, Gaue way to Folly, and did flacke my raines Of long restraint; Dory. 'Las Technis, then I fee What in the end was like to fall on thee. Tech. O Dorycles if thou hadst knowne my state, Thou wouldst have pitied it! Corid. Nay rather hate Thy youthfull riot. Tech. Thou fpeakes well vnto't, For the Blacke Oxe had nere trod on my foot: I had my former studies in despight, And in the vainest consorts tooke delight. Which much incens'd fuch as affection bare To my esteeme: but little did I care For the instruction of my grave Protectors Who never left me, but like wife directors Confulted how to rectifie my state. And fome advised this, and others that, For neuer any could more faithfull be In fincere trust, than they were vnto me. At last, one to compose and end the strife, Thought it the fitt'ft that I should take a wife. Corid. Yea, now it workes.

Lin. Stay till he come vnto't; Sap. And then I know he will goe roundly to't. Tech. Nay iest not on me, but awhile forbeare. And you the iffue of my love shall heare. Hauing at last concluded, as I faid, With ident confent I should be married. One 'mong ft the rest did freely undertake This private motion to my felfe to make; Which I gaue eare to: wishing too that he Would me informe where this my Wife should be. Dym. As it was fit. Cor. Who was it thou shouldst ha? Tech. Ile tell thee Boy, 'twas Amarillida. Cor. Lycas faire daughter? Tech. Yes, the very fame. Dory. She was a wench indeed of worthie fame; Tech. As ere fed Lambkins on this flowrie Downe: Whom many fought and fude to make their owne, But the affected to a virgin life. As she did scorne to be Amyntas wife. Dym. Is't possible? Tech. Yes Dymnus I doe know

* S. Valentines day; on which Birds are said to chuse their Mates, with

whom they repose and partake in mutuall

mutuall ioyes. Some tokens of affection twixt them two,

Which if thou heard, right foone wouldft thou confesse, More vnfaind love no Heardsman could expresse:
But to omit the rest, I meane to show

The time and tide when I began to woo.

Vpon that * Day (fad day and heavy fate)

When every Bird is faid to chufe her mate,

Did I repaire vnto that fairest faire.

That ever lou'd, or liu'd, or breath'd on aire. And her I woo'd, but she was so demure,

So modest bashfull, and so maiden pure, As at the first, nor at the second time She would no eare to found of love incline. Cor. But this (I'm fure) would be no meanes to draw Thy loues affault from Amarillida. Tech. No Coridon, for then I should not seeme Worthy fo rare a Nymph as she had beene. But I did finde that female foes would yeeld, Though their relentlesse breasts at first were steeld: Continuall drops will pierce the hardest stone. Sap. Did Technis finde her fuch a stony one? Tech. Sappho I did: yet though she oft had vowd A veftall life, and had my fuit withflood, I found her of a better minde next day, For she had throwne her vestall weed away. Lin. Thrice happy Shepheard! Tech. Linus, fay not fo; If it be happinesse to end in woe, Thou mightst enstyle me happy; Dory. Was not she Fully refolued now to marry thee? Tech. Yes Dorycles: but when she had consented, Heare by what strange mischance I was preuented! Vpon a time a Summering there was, Where every lively Lad tooke in his Laffe To dance his Meafure, and among st the rest I tooke me one as frolike as the best. Dym. What was she man? Tech. A Matron full of zeale, But pardon me, I must her name conceale. Lin. It was Alburna I durst pawne my life. 02 Tech.

Tech. I must confesse it was the Parsons wife, A lusty Trolops I may fay to you, And one could foot it give the wench her due. Lin. Yea marry Sir, there was a Lasse indeed Knew how she should about a Maypole tread. Tech. And I may fay, if Linus had beene there, He would have faid, we evenly matched were: For I may fay at that day there was none At any active game could put me downe And for a dance; Sap. As light as any fether, For thou didst winne the Legge three yeeres together. Tech. And many faid that it great pittie was That fuch a Parson had not fuch a Lasse: So as indeed all did conclude and fay, That we deferred the Pricke and prize that day. But having now our May-games wholly plaid, Danc'd till we wearie were, and Piper paid: Each tooke his wench he dane'd with on the Downe, Meaning to give her curt'fie of the Towne. Sim. What curt'fie Technis? Tech. As our Shepheards vfe, Which they in modestie cannot refuse: And this we did, and thus we parted then, Men from their women, women from their men. Dory. But didst nere after with Alburna meet? Tech. Yes, on a time I met her in the street, Who after kinde falutes inuited me Vnto her house, which in civilitie I could not well deny; Dym. True Technis true.

Tech.

Tech. And she receiv'd me, give the wench her due, With fuch a free and gracefull entertaine, As did exceed th' expectance of a Swaine. Dory. She had some reason for't; Tech. None I may fweare, Saue that she ioyed much to see me there. Dorv. Yet did; Tech. Did eat, did drinke, and merry make, For no delight faue these did Technis take. For I may fay to you if fo I had, My lucke to Horse-flesh had not beene so bad, As by fome yeeres experience I have found; So as of your fuspicion there's no ground: But if I had, no fate could be more hard Than that which I fustained afterward. Corid. Relate it Technis. Tech. To my griefe I will, Having done this without least thought of ill. This (as report doth new additions draw) Came to the eare of Amarillida: Who iealous of my love (as women are) Thought that Alburna had no little share In my affection, which I may protest Was nere as much as meant, much leffe exprest. Sap. Alas good Shepheard. Tech. So as from that day I found her fancy falling still away, For to what place focuer I did come. She fain'd excuse to leave me and the roome. Lin. Yet she nere fix'd her love on any one. Tech. Yes Linus, else what cause had I to mome? Some few moneths after did she take a Make. 0 2

I must confesse of infinite estate; Yet in my minde (nor doe I speaket in spight) He's one can give a woman small delight, For he's a very Erwig. Lin. What is he? Tech. Petreius fonne; Lin. The map of miserie. Tech. Yet thou wouldst wonder how this dunghil worm When he encounters me, redarts a scorne On my contemned loue: Dym. All this doth show, That he refolues to triumph in thy woe; But how stands shee affected? Tech. 'Las for griefe, Shee is fo farre from yeelding me reliefe, As shee in publique meetings ha's assaid To glory in the trickes which shee hath plaid. Dory. O matchleffe infolence! Tech. Yet shall my bliffe In wanting her, be charactred in this; " Hauing lost all that ere thy labour gain'd, " Be fure to keepe thy precious name vnstain'd. Corid. A good refolue. Tech. Yet must I neuer leave While I doe live, but I must live to grieve: For I perfwade me, there was never Swaine Was recompene'd with more vniust disdaine. Dym. Indeed thou well mightst grieue. Dory. Yet shall't appeare, I have more cause, if you my Tale will heare:

For nere was flory mixed with more ruth, Or grounded on more Arguments of truth.

Corid.

Corid. Let's haue it Dorycles;
Dory. With all my heart,
And plainly too; griefe hates all words of art.



The Argument.



Orycles loues Bellina;
Who esteemes
As well of him,
But proues not same she seemes.

The second Argument.



Orycles a youthfull Swaine,
Seekes Bellina's loue to gaine:
Who, so euen doth fancy strike,
Tenders Dorycles the like.

Yet observe how women be Subiect to inconstancie! Shee in absence of her loue, Her affection doth remoue, Planting it vpon a Swad, That no wit nor breeding had.

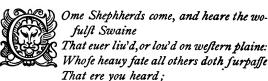
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Whom she honours; but in time Dorycles feemes to divine, Since her loue is stain'd with sin, She'le ere long dishonour him; For who once hath broke her vow, Will infringe't to others too. In the end he doth expresse His difdainfull Shepherdesse: Who, when she had injured Him and his, and cancelled That fame facred fecret oath, Firmely tendred by them both; She a Willow-garland fends For to make her Swaine amends, Which he weares, and vowes till death He will weare that forlorne wreath. With protests of lesse delight In her Loue, than in her Spight.

THE SECOND EGLOGVE.

Dorycles tale.



Dym. Say Heardfman what it was.
Dory. I must and will, though Dymnus I confesse,
I'm very loth my folly to expresse,
Whose madding passion though it merit blame,

I will difplay't.

Tech. To't then: away with shame.

Dory. I lou'd a bonny Laffe as ere lou'd man,

For she a middle had that you might span,

A mouing eye, a nimble mincing foot,

And mannerly she was, for she could lout:

And her I lou'd, and me she held as deare.

Corid. But Dorycles where liu'd she?

Dory. Very neare:

Knowst thou not Polychrestus?

Corid. Who, the Swaine

That with his sheepe doth couer all our Plaine?

Dory. It feemes thou knowst him Coridon;

Corid. I doe:

And feuen yeeres fince I knew his Daughter too.

Dory. Who, faire Bellina?

Corid. Yes, the very fame.

Dory. And her I lou'd, nor need I thinke't a shame.

For what might moue affection or imply

Content of love to any Shepheards eye,

Which she enioy'd not? For if choyce discourse

(As what more moving than the tongue) had force

To infuse love, there was no Heardsman neare her Who was not ravished if he chanc'd to heare her;

And for a beauty mix'd with white and red.

Corid. I know 't was rare, good Dorycles proceed.

Dory. When I was young, as yet I am not old,

I doted more than now a hundred fold:

For there was not a May-game that could show it

All here about, but I repaird vnto it,

Yet knew not what love meant, but was content To spend the time in harmlesse merriment.

But

But at the last, I plaid so long with fire, I cing'd my wings with heat of loues desire. And to difplay my folly how it was Without digreffion, thus it came to paffe. Downe by you Vale a Myrtle groue there is, (Oh that I nere had feene it, I may wish) Where Pan the Shepheards God to whom we pray. Solemniz'd had his wonted holiday: Whereto resorted many noble Swaines, Who flourish yet upon our neighbour Plaines; 'Mong st which Bellina with a youthfull fort Of amorous Nimphs, came to furuey our sport. Which I observing (fee the fault of youth) Transported with vain-glory, thought in truth Shee came a purpose for a sight of me, Which I with smiles requited louingly: But howfoere, I know Bellina ey'de My person more than all the swaines beside. When night was come, vnwelcome vnto fome, And each was now to hasten towards home, I'mong st the rest of Laddes, did homeward passe, And all this time I knew not what Love was. To supper went I and fell to my fare, As if of love I had but little care, And after supper went to fire to chat Of fundry old-wives tales, as this and that : Yet all this while love had no power of me, Nor no command that ever I could fee. Hauing thus fpent in tales an houre or two, Each to his rest (as he thought best) did goe, But now when I should take me to my rest, That troubled me which I did thinke of least.

Tech.

Tech. Trouble thee Swaine! Dory. Yes Technis; and the more, Because I neuer selt such pangs before. This way and that way did I toffe and turne, And freeze and frie, and shake for cold and burne, So as I wisht a hundred times, that day Would now approach my paffion to allay. Yet still, (so weake was my distemper'd braine) I thought Bellina put me to that paine, Yet knew no cause why shee should vie me so, Yet thought to aske her if 't were shee or no: So as next day, I purpos d to repaire To fee if shee could yeeld a cure to care. But the (poore wench) was split on fancies shelfe, All full of care, yet could not cure her felfe; So as in briefe we either did impart, The fecret paffions of a wounded heart, Shot by loues shaft, for fo't appear'd to be, Which found, we vow'd a prefent remedie; Yet to our friends both shee and I did feane, As if we neuer had acquainted beene. Dym. A prety fleight; Dory. Though many times and oft. Plaid we at Barlybreake in Clytus croft. And thus our loues continued one halfe yeere Without fuspition, till one neighboring neere, An equall friend vnto vs both, did make A motion of our Mariage. Tech. Did it take? Dory. Yes Technis yes, fo as first day I went, My friends, to shew that they were well content, Wish'd that all good successe might wher mee.

Lin. One should have throwne an old shoo after thee. Dory. Nay Linus that was done: and now to hie Vnto my Tale, on went my dogge and I, Poore loaue-eard Curre. Sapp. Why Dorycles, hadst none To fecond thee? Dory. Too many (Swaine) by one: For trowst thou Lad, when I my fuit should make Vnto her friends, my dogge he let a scape. Sapp. Ill nurtur'd flitchell. Dory. Now yee may suppose Bellina tooke the Pepper in the nose, That to her friends when I should breake my minde, The carrian Cur should at that time breake winde. So as for halfe an houre I there did show Like to a fenfleffe Picture made of dough: Nor was my dogge leffe' sham'd, but runs away With taile betwixt his legs with speed he may. At last my spirits I did call together, Showing her friends the cause why I came thither, Who did accept my motion; for that day I was esteem'd a proper Swaine I say, And one well left. Cor. We know it Dorycles, Both for thy wealth and person thou mightst please. Lin. For good mug-sheepe and cattell, Ile be sworne None could come neare thee both for haire and horne. Dory. Yee ouer-value me, but fure I am I had fufficient for an honest man:

Hauing thus free acceffe to her I lou'd, Who my affection long before had prou'd Though she seemd nice, as women often vse,

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When what they love they feemingly refuse. Not to infift ought longer on the matter, They deemd me worthy, if they did not flatter, Of her I fu'd; So as without more stay, Appointed was this folemne Nuptiall day. Sapp. Happy appointment; Dory. Sapphus fay not fo. It rather was the subject of my woe, For having heard reported for a truth She formerly had lou'd a dapper youth, With whom she purpos'd even in friends despight. To make a private fcape one winter night; I for a while thought to furcease my fuit, Till I heard further of this iealous bruit. Tech. Why didst thou so ? Bellina had consented To love that youth, before you were acquainted. Dory. Technis' tis true; But fome there were auer'd, Though I'm refolu'd they in opinion err'd, That these two were affide one to the other. Sapp. What hindred then the match? Dory. Bellinas mother: Who tender of th' advancement of her childe. And well perceiving Crispus to be wilde, (For fo the youth was named) did withdraw Bellina from him by imperious awe: Which done, and he prevented of her daughter, His Countrey left, he never fought her after. Tech. I knew that Crifpus. Dory. Then you knew a lad Of feeming prefence, but he little had. And that was cause he grew in disesteeme. Sap. Alas that want of meanes should make vs meane. Dory.

Dory. So did it fare with him; for to his praise (Though with his tongue he wrong'd me many waies, But tongues inur'd to tales are nere beleeu'd) He had from Nature choicest gifts receau'd, Which might have mou'd love in a worthy creature, If that his life had beene vnto his feature. But promising out-sides like the Panthers skin, Though faire without, are oft times foule within; But heavens, I hope, to mercy will receive him. His wrongs to me are buried; fo I leave him. Corid. But admit Shepheard they had beene affide. Shee might revolt, it cannot be denide. Dory. I grant she might; and I confesse there be Some that have done't are greater farre than we: But goodnesse is the marke, not height of state That meaner men by right should imitate. I might produce store of examples here, But lest I should be tedious, I forbeare, What tragick Scenes from breach of faith are bred, How it hath caus'd much guiltleffe bloud be shed. This caus'd me for a time to hold my hand. To fee how all this businesse would stand, And that I might my fancie better waine From her I lou'd, to Troynouant I came. Where I imploi'd my felfe no little time About occasions for a friend of mine: For I did thinke to be from place remou'd, Would make me foone forget the wench I lou'd. Sap. I rather thinke it would thy love renew; Dory. Sapphus it did; and farre more rigour shew: " For true it is, when louers goe to wooe, " Each mile's as long as ten, each houre as two.

Whence

"Whence each true louer by experience proues " Man is not where he lives, but where he loves. For what delight, as all delights were there, Could my enthralled minde refresh or cheere, Wanting my Loue, whose only sight could show More true content than all the world could doe? Yet stay'd I still, expecting I should heare. How in my absence, she herselfe did beare, And whether those same rumours which I heard, Were true or false, as I found afterward. Lin. How went they Dorycles? Dor. Howfo'ere they went I found Bellina meerely innocent; Whence I inferr'd, that many times we wrong them, By causelesse laying false aspersions on them: For I peceiu'd she had beene woo'd by many, But neuer yet affianc'd vnto any. Corvd. Thrice happie Dorycles! Dor. Happie indeed, Till worse euents did afterwards succeed. Coryd. What fate? Dor. Farre worfe than ere on Shepheard leight. Tech. Expresse it Heardsman; Dor. So I purpose streight. Having thus heard all rumours to be vaine, I streight refolu'd to returne backe againe Into my Countrey: where I found my wench The fame I left her when I came from thence; So as in briefe, fo happie was my state, I meant my marriage rites to confummate. Which that they might be done more folemnly, All our young Shepheards in a company,

Address'd themselves to grace that day; beside The choicest Damsels to attend the Bride, For to prevent occasion of delay, Set downe on both sides was the Mariage day. Tech. Me thinkes this cannot chuse but happen well; Dory. Stay Technis heare, what afterwards befell! The Euen before that I should maried be, One came in all haste and acquainted me How Cacus that vnciuill loffell, would Carry the best Ram that I had to fold; Wherewith incens'd withouten further stay, Going to th' fold I met him in the way: Who of my Ram not onely me denide. But vs'd me in difgracefull fort beside, Which I distasting, without more adoe Reach'd my vnnurtur'd Cacus fuch a blow, As he in heat of passion aymd his Crooke Iust at my head to wound me with the stroake: Which I rewarded, fo as by our men Without more hurt we both were parted then. But fcarce had Phoebus lodged in the West, Till He, whose fury would not let him rest, Sent me a challenge stuffed with disgrace, Length of his Weapon, Second, and the Place. Dym. Then we must have a field fought. Dory. Without stay; I met him though it was my mariage day, Though not on equall termes. Tech. More fit't had bin T' encounter'd with Bellina than with him. Sapp. I would have thought fo Technis; Lin. So would hee,

If he had beene refolu'd as he should be. Dor. Shepheards'tis true; but now it is too late, For to exclaime against relentlesse fate, Whose adverse hand prevented that delight, Which louers reape in a blest nuptiall night. (Swaine; Cor. Thou mightst with credit have deferr'd it, Dor. I know it, Corvdon: but 'twas my aime To right my reputation, which did stand Engag'd, vnleffe I met him out a hand, Which I perform'd, and with my Second too, To beare me witneffe what I meant to doe. Dym. And he perform'd the like; Dor. He vow'd he would, And fo indeed by Law of armes he should, But I perceiu'd his recreant spirit such, To fight on equall termes he thought too much: Neere to Soranus caue there stands a groue, Which Poets faine was consecrate to Loue, Though then it feem'd to be transform'd by fate. From th' grove of Loue, vnto the grave of Hate; There we did meet: where he out of distrust, Fearing the cause he fought for was not just, To fecond his iniurious act, did bring A rout of desperate rogues along with him, Who lurking, kept together till we met, And fo vpon advantage me befet, As fight or fall, there was no remedie, Such was the height of Cacus villanie. Tech. Who ever heard a more perfidious tricke? Dor. Tis true; yet though my Second had been ficke, And much enfeebled in his former strength, We held them play, till haplefly at length, P Through

Through violence of fury, from him fell His luckleffe weapon. Dym. Oh I heare thee tell A heavy Scene! Dor. Yes Dymnus hadst thou seene How our shed bloud purpled the flowrie greene, What crimfon streamlins flow'd from either of vs, Thou wouldst have pitied, though thou nere did love vs: For having fought fo long as we had breath, Breathlesse we lay as Images of death, Bereft of fenfe or Motion. Sap. 'Las for woe, Any true Heardsman should be vsed so. Cor. What boundleffe forrowes were ye plunged in! Dor. Tis true; and worfer farre had vsed bin, Had not Dametas that well natur'd Swaine. Repair'd that instant to our forlorne Plaine; Who feeing vs, and in what state we were, In due compassion could not well forbeare From shedding teares, so soone as he had found Our red-bath'd Corpes fast glewed to the ground. Oft did he reare our Bodies, but in vaine, For breathleffe they fell to the Earth againe; Oft did he rub our temples to restore That vitall heat, which was supprest before: But without hope of life, though life was there, As Men of Earth, did we on Earth appeare. At last assisted by a Swaine or two, (See what the Providence of Heaven can doe) We were conveyed to a Graunge hard by, Whereto were Surgeons fent immediatly, Whofe learned skill drain'd from experience,

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Brought vs in time to have a little sense Of our endanger'd state. Dym. But pray thee tell Whose hand exprest most art? Dor. Grave Astrophel, Whose knowne experiments of Art have showne More noble cures of late on this our Downe, Than all our Mountebankes could ever doe, For all these precious drugs they value so. Sap. Indeed I know He has much honour won For his admired Cures; good Shepheard on. Dor. Having long languish'd betwixt life and death, Remou'd from thought of love for want of breath, As men we liu'd expos' to dangers Sconce. Lin. Would not Bellina fee thee? Dor. Nere but once. For having heard there was no way but one, And that in all mens judgements I was gone, Shee straight resolves to finde a cure for care, That if I liu'd she might have one to spare. Tech. Why, made shee choice of any but thy felfe? Dor. Yes Technis yes, and of a dwarfish elfe. Whom she preferr'd, (though he could little please). Before her first love, haplesse Doricles. Tech. Inconstant Swainlin. Dor. Having heard of this, You may conceave how griefe augmented is: I straight deprived of hope, began to rave, And would not take what my Physician gaue, But fcorning all prescriptions valued death Aboue a languishing distastfull breath; Till by perswasion and recourse of time

Those braine-sicke passions and essets of mine
Depressed were: so as voon a day,
The burden of my forrowes to allay,
And to expresse the nature of my wrong,
I set my hand to pen, and made a Song.
Dym. Good Dorycles let's heare what it may be,
It cannot but be good is to come from thee.
Dor. Shepheards you shall; and if you thinke it sit,
I lou'd her once, shall be the Tune of it.
Tech. No Tune more proper; to it louely Swaine.
Dor. Attend then Shepherds to my dolefull straine.

The fairest faire that euer breath'd ayre, Feeding her Lambkins on this Plaine; To whom though many did repaire, I was esteem'd her dearest Swaine. To me she vow'd, which vow she broke, That she would fancie me or none, But since she has her Swaine forsooke, I'le take me to a truer one.

Had she beene firme, as she was faire,
Or but perform'd what she had vow'd,
I might haue sung a fig for care,
And safely swum in fancies shood;
But ô the staine of womanhood!
Who breakes with one, keepes touch with none;
Wherefore in hate to such a brood,
I'le take me to a truer one.

Was't not enough to breake her vow, And quit my loue with fuch disdaine,

But fcornfully deride me too, With fcoffes to gratifie my paine? But fince my labours are in vaine, Ile fpend no more my time in mone, But will my former loue difclaime, And take me to a truer one.

Who euer liu'd and shew'd more loue, Or lesse express what she did show? Who seeming firme so false could proue, Or vow so much, and slight her vow? But since I doe her nature know, I am right glad that she is gone; For if I shoot in *Cupids* bow, I'le take me to a truer one.

More faithlesse faire nere spoke with tongue, Or could protest lesse what she thought; Nere Shepheard suffer'd greater wrong, Or for lesse profit euer wrought; But since my hopes are turn'd to nought, May neuer Heardsman make his mone To one whose mold's in weaknesse wrought, But take him to a truer one.

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Cor. May all poore Swaines be henceforth warn'd by But didst thou never since Bellina see?

Dor. Yes, and her lovely spouse Archetus too,
Who feeing me (quoth he) There doth he goe,
Who on a time, as I enformed am,
Would lose his Lasse before he lost his Ram;
Which I retorted, saying, I thought best,

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My butting Ram should be his worships crest. Whose broad-spread frontlets did presage what sate Would in short time attend his forked pate. Sap. Thou hit him home my Dorycles; but fay, What faid she to thee? Dor. Bit lip, and away; Though the next morne, my forrow to renew, Shee fent a Willow wreath fast bound with Rew. Which I accepted, but that I might show I neuer rue her breach of promise now, The Rew that tyde my Wreath I threw aside, And with Hearts ease my Willow garland tyde. Lin. A good exchange. Dor. Now Shepheards you have heard My faithfull love, and her vniust reward; Did ever Swaine enioy the light of Sunne, That bare fuch iniuries as I have done? Tech. Indeed thy wounds were great; Dym. Yet mine as wide. Dor. I mist my Loue, and lost my bloud beside. Dym. Suspend thy iudgement, and thine eare incline Vnto my Tale, and thou wilt yeeld to mine. Coryd. Let's haue it Dymnus; Dym. Heardsman so thou shalt, Yet if I weepe, impute it to the fault Of my furcharged heart, which still appeares The best at ease, when eyes are full'st of teares.



The Argument.



Ymnus Palmira
Woes to be his Wife,
But she had vow'd
To liue a single life.

The second Argument.



Ymnus with long looking dim,
Loues the wench that lotheth him;
Price nor praier may not perswade
To infringe the vow she made;

Hauing meant to liue and die Vesta's virgin votarie.
Yet at last she seemes to yeeld
To her loue-sick Swaine the field,
So that he will vndertake
Three yeares silence for her sake:
Which hard Pennance he receaues,
And performes the taske she craues.
But while he restraines his tongue,
Shee pretends the time's too long:
Wherefore she doth entertaine
In her breast another Swaine.

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Dymnus

Dymnus having heard of this, Hies to th' place where th' marriage is, Purposing to make a breach By dumbe fignes, though want of speech: But alas they all command him Silence, cause none vnderstand him. Thus he fuffers double wrong. Losse of wench, and losse of tongue, For till three yeares were expir'd, He nere spoke what he desir'd, All which time confum'd in dolour, He displayes her in her colour; And concluding, wisheth no man Lofe his tongue to gaine a woman: And to cheere his pensiue heart, With a Song they end this part.

THE THIRD EGLOGVE.

Dymnus tale.



Pon a time while I did liue on Teese, Imade loueto awench my friends to please, But (as my fate was still) it would not be, Forwooe Iknew not how, no more than she:

Yet I can well remember this she said,
For ought she knew, she meant to die a Maid,
A Vestall Virgin, or a Votaresse,
A cloyster'd Nun, or holy Prioresse;
To which I answer'd, is t were her desire
To be a Nun, I meant to turne a Frier,
So might it chance that we againe should meet,
Where th' Nun and Frier might play at Barly-breake.

Cor.

Cor. Where liu'd thy Loue? Dym. Neere th' bottome of the hill, Betweene Pancarpus temple and the mill, There liu'd my faire Palmira, who I fay, 'Mongst all our wenches bore th Palme away: And her I lou'd and lik'd, and fu'd and fought, But all my love and labour turn'd to nought; For she had vow'd which vow should nere be broke, Shee'd die a Maid, but meant not as she spoke. Dor. No Dymnus, no, the nicest fure I am, Would live a Maid if't were not for a man; But there is none of them can brooke fo well, To be a Beareward and leade Apes in Hell. Dym. True Dorycles, for in processe of time, I found her maiden humour to decline: For she did grant the boone which I did aske. Vpon condition of a greater taske. Lin. What heavie censure might this taske afford? Dym. That for three yeeres I should not speake a word. Cor. Alas poore Swaine, this taske which the prepard. In all my time the like was neuer heard. Dor. But this fame filent taske had harder bin, If she had prou'd what she enioyned him: For none can doe a woman greater wrong, Than barre her from a priviledge of tongue. Sap. A womans tongue's a clapper in the winde, Which once a foot, can neuer be confinde; But to thy taske, good Dymnus. Dym. To proceed, What she enioyn'd I did performe indeed: For I appear'd as one depriv'd of speech, Yet nere my friends unto my aimes could reach;

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But much lamented that a Swaine fo young, And promising, should lose his vie of tongue. Tech. I wonder how thou could expresse thy minde! Dym. Onely by dumbe figues, so as I did finde Within short time, a great facilitie In that hard taske which she imposed me. Lin. Hardest adventures oft the easiest seeme, Only for love of fuch inioined them. (eafe Dym. And fuch were mine; when others talk'd with Of this and that, I ever held my peace; Others fung Carols of their fairest faire, But I in filent measures had a share; Others discours'd of pleasures of the time, And I approved them with a secret signe. Others could court, as Shepheards vie to doe, Which I could doe as well, but durft not show: For all my aymes and purpofes did tend To gaine my Loue, and for no other end. Cor. Did not performance of this taske obtaine That prize of love which thou desir'd to gaine? Dym. No Corydon; for though I did obey, Shee thought three yeares too long a time to flay, So as her dumbe knight she did straight disclaime, And tooke her felfe vnto another Swaine. Sap. Difloyall wench! Dym. Yet'las what remedie; A mariage is intended folemnlie: Which that it might more privatly be caried, In a retyred Cell they must be maried. Tech. Vnhappy Swaine! Dym. So did I then appeare: For when the mariage came vnto my eare,

I straight repair'd to th' Cell right speedily, Where thefe fad rites folemniz'd were to be. Straite was the Gate kept by a Porter grim, Who guards the doore that none should enter in: But I, as time requir'd, refolu'd to venter, Did boldly knock, and knocking freely enter; Where entring in, each casts his eye about. Some full of feare, as others were of doubt, What my approach should meane; but to be briefe, (Short tales feeme long that doe renue our griefe) The Priest pronouncing, iustly as I came, Who gives her to be maried to this man? I rush'd into the croud, their hands to breake, And gladly would have spoke but durst not speake: At which attempt, fome strange constructions had, And verily imagin'd I was mad; Others suspecting what I did intend, Thought that my aymes were to no other end, Than to preuent the Mariage for that time, And afterwards perswade her to be mine. Nor were their iudgements erring, for I thought By my deuice to have this Proiect wrought Only by dumbe fignes: fometimes would I show With eyes heau'd vp to Heauen her breach of vow; Sometimes in violent manner would I feeme As if through love I had distracted beene, Pulling my deare Palmira from his hand, Who to receive her for his Spoufe did stand. Sometimes, as Men in forrowes plunged deepe And could not other them, I'gan to weepe, And wash the Temple with a brinie flood, Yet all this while I was not understood:

For in despite of all that I could doe, I was restrained, and she was married too. Cor. What discontent might equal this of thine? Dym. Yet though I bore it sharply for the time. I afterwards, and have done ever fince. Borne this difgrace with greater patience. Lin. Yet Dymnus thou wast dumbe till three yeeres Dym. Yes Linus, and as truly did intend What she enjoyned me, as I desir'd To marrie her, when those three yeeres expir'd: Which comne and past, I then exprest my griefe. Finding apt words to tender me reliefe: " For woes doe labour of too great a birth, " That want the helpe of words to fet them forth. Tech. But didft thou nere display her hatefull shame? Dym. In generall I did, but not by name, Nor euer will: my purpose is to live And laugh at love, and no occasion give Of iust offence to her or any one, Or filently confume my time in mone, Frequenting shadie Lawnes in discontent, Or to the Ayre my fruitleffe clamors vent. Though I resolue, if ere I make my choice, In better fort and measure to rejoyce Than I have done: Dor. Or elfe I'me fure thy share Though it decrease in ioy, will grow in care. Dym. I know it will: Now as my wrong was great, And greater farre than I could well repeat, This shall be my Conclusion; There is no Man Wife that will lose his tongue for any Woman: For fure I am that they will be more prone

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(Such is their guize) to triumph ouer one
When they have drawne him headlong to their traine,
Than fuch as on more firmer grounds remaine.
"Fly Women, they will follow (still fay I)
"But if ye follow women, they will fly.
Tech. Rightly opinion'd Dymnus; but t'allay
Thy grounded griefe, and to conclude the day,
Let's have a Song.
Dor. Technis with all my heart.
Dym. Though Puefmal mind to sing, I'le beare a part.
Cor. And you too Sapphus.
Sap. Yes, and Linus too,
Lin. Yes, I my Art among st the rest will show.
Dor. To it then freely: safely sing may we,
Who have beene slaves to Love, but now are free.

Tech. Tell me Loue what thou canst doe? Dor. Triumph ore a simple Swaine; Dym. Binding him to such a vow; Cor. As to make his griese thy gaine.

Sap. Doe thy worst thou canst doe now;

Lin. Thou hast shot at vs in vaine.

All. For we are free, though we did once complain.

Dor. Free we are as is the ayre;
Tech. Or the filuer-murm'ring fpring.
Dym. Free from thought or reach of care;
Cor. Which doe haplesse Louers wring.
Sap. Now we may with ioy repaire;
Lin. To our gladsome Plaines and sing;
All. And laugh at Loue, and call't an idle thing.

Dym.

Dym. Sport we may and feede our Sheepe,
Dor. And our Lamkins on this Downe;
Tech. Eat and drinke, and foundly fleepe,
Cor. Since these flormes are ouer-blowne;
Sap. Whilst afflicted wretches weepe,
Lin. That by loue are ouerthrowne:
All. For now we laugh at follies we have knowne.

Cor. Here we rest vpon these rocks;

Dym. Round with shadie Iny wreath'd;

Dor. Ioying in our woolly slocks;

Tech. On these Mountaines freely breath'd;

Sap. Where though clad in russet frocks,

Lin. Here we sport where we are heath'd;

All. Our only care to see our Pastures freath'd.

Sap. Thus we may retire in peace;
Cor. And though low, yet more fecure,
Dym. Then those Men which higher prease;
Dor. Shrubs than Cedars are more sure:
Tech. And they live at farre more ease,
Lin. Finding for each care a cure.
All. Their love as deare and liker to endure.

Lin. For wherein confifts earths bliffe,
Sap. But in hauing what is fit?
Cor. Which though greater men doe miffe;
Dym. Homely Swaines oft light of it.
Dor. For who's he that liuing is,
Tech. That in higher place doth fit,
All. Whose fly Ambition would not higher git.

Tech. Let vs then contented be,

Dor. In the portion we enioy;

Cor. And while we doe others fee,

Sap. Tos'd with gusts of all annoy;

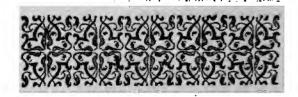
Dym. Let vs say this feele not we:

Lin. Be our wenches kinde or coy,

All. We count their frownes and sauours but a toy.

Dor. Let's now retire, it drawes to Euening time, Next Tale my Corydon, it must be thine. Tech. Which may be done next day we hither come, Meane time, let's fold our flocks and hye vs home.

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A Pastorall Palinod.

Hefe Swains likedying Swans have fung their last, And ioy in thinking of those woes are past; For woes once past, like pleasing passimes seeme, And ioy vs more than if they had not beene. (Plaines, Such Layes become these Launes, such Plaints these "Great men may higher have, no heuier straines; For Swains their Swainlins love, and wooe them too, And doe as much as braver outsides doe. But Heardsmen are retired from their shade Of Myrtle sprayes and sprigs of Osyer made, With purpose to revisit you to morrow, Where other three shall give new life to forrow: Meane time repose, lest when the Swaine appeares, You fall asseepe when you should flow with teares.

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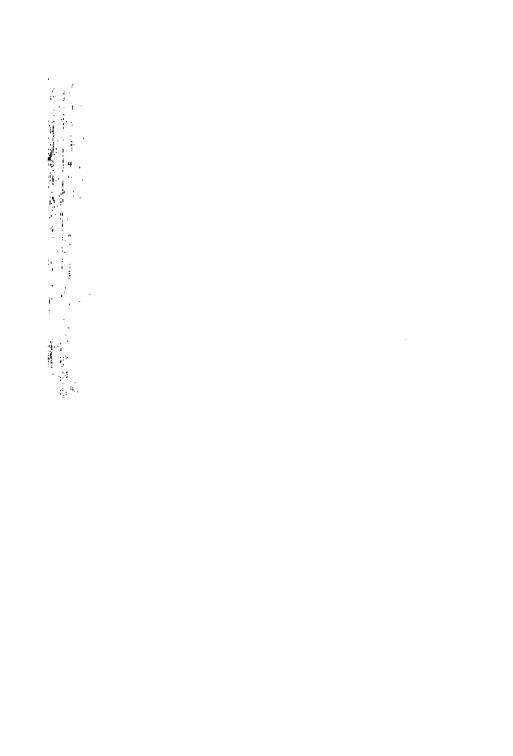
SHEPHEARDS TALES.

Too true poore shepheards do this Prouerbe find, No fooner out of fight then out of mind.

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The Argument.

vnder a rurall fubiect.



Ere Corydon proues, That nothing can be fent, To crosse love more, The friends vnkind restraint.

The second Argument.



Orydon coy Celia woes, And his loue by tokens showes. Tokens are those lures, that find Best accesse to woman kind. Long he woes ere he can win; R

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Yet at last she fancieth him: And so firme, as you shall heare, Each to other troth-plight were; But alas, where loue is most, There it off-times most is crost. For these two are closly pent, Each from other by restraint; He, vnto the plaine must go, Loue-licke, heart-licke, full of wo, Where he fings fuch chearefull layes, In his chast choise, Celias praise, That steepe mountaines, rocks and plaines, Seeme entranced with his firaines: But alas, while he does keepe, Helplesse shepheard, haplesse sheepe, Celia for to feeke her make, From her keeper makes escape, And vnto the mountaine goes, Where her felfe, her felfe doth lofe; While one of Lauerna'es crew, Seizeth on her as his dew, Where by force, by awe, by feare, She was long detained there, And in the end affianc'd fo, As the ends her life in wo.

THE SHEPHEARDS

The shepheards.

Technis. Dymnus. Dorycles. Corydon. Sapphus. Linus.

THE FIRST EGLOGVE.

Corydons tale.

Ay Shepheards stay, there is no hast but good,
We three are Shepheards, and have understood

Both of your follies and your fancies too;

Dor. Why tell vs Corydon, what thou wouldst do !

Cor. Shew my misfortune Swaines, as you have done,

Tech. Deferre it till to morrow Corydon.

Cor. No, Technis no, I cannot if I would,

You've told your griefes, and now mine must be told: What though the Sunne be drawing to the West.

Where he intends to take his wonted rest,

Tis Moone-light (lads) and if it were not light,

Welcome you are to lodge with me all night.

Dor. Thankes Corydon.

Cor. Why thanke you Corydon?

Simple and meane's the cottage where I won,

Yet well I wot, for chestnuts, cakes, and creame,

If you'le accept my welcome as I meane,

You shall not want, but have sufficient store,

With hearty welcome fwaines, what would ye more?

Dym. More Corydon! t'is all that we can wish,

But to thy tale, let's heare now what it is.

Dor. Yes, do good Corydon; and we will flay;

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Cor.

Cor. Attend then shepheards, heare what I shall fay. Sap. And when you've done, I will begin with mine; Lin. Which I'le continue in the evening time. Cor. Well faid, good shepheards, we are fufly three, To answer their three tales, and here for me. There was a Maid, and well might she be faid, So chaft, fo choice she was, to be a Maid, Where lillie white mixt with a cherrie red. Such admiration in the shepheards bred, As well was he that might but have a fight Of her rare beauty mirror of delight. Oft would she come vnto a silver spring, Which neare her fathers house was neighboring, Where she would eye her felfe as she did paffe, For shepheards vse no other looking-glasse. Tech. True Corydon. Cor. But which may feeme more rare, This Maid she was as wife as she was faire; So as discretion did so moderate The fafe condition of her low estate, As enuie neuer wrong'd her spotlesse name, Or foild her matchleffe honour with defame. Dor. Vnder a happie Planet she was borne, Cor. She was indeed; nor did she ever scorne, The company of any country maid, How meane foere or fluttishly araid: But she would be their play-fare, to make chuse, Of fuch poore simple sports as weaches vse. Yea in their wakes, shroues, wassel-cups, or tides, Or Whitfon-ales, or where the country brides Chufe out their bride-maids, as the custome is, She feld or neare was feene to do amiffe: But so respective of her name and fame,

That though she blusht, she never blusht for shame Of any act immodest, but retain'd That good opinion which her vertues gain'd. Dym. Sure Corydon this was a Saintly woman; Cor. Indeed fuch Saints' mongst women are not comon: But to my flory; her did many fwaine, By fruitleffe fuite endeuour to obtaine, As young Spudippus, rich Archymorus, Active Amintas, youthfull Hirsius. Dor. It feemes sh'ad choice. Cor. Yes Dorycles, she had: And some of these were good, and some as bad, But neither good nor bad, nor rich nor poore, Could her content, though she had daily store. Yet from Pandoras box did nere proceed, More hatefull poyfon vpon humane feed, Then from these forlorne louers, whose report, (But iust is heauen, for they were plagued for't.) Afpers'd this fcandall on faire Celia, That she had made her choice some other way. Tech. Vnworthy louers. Cor. True indeed, they be Vnworthy th' love of fuch an one as she; For Linus you do know them: Lin. Yes, I do. But specially Spudippus, whom I know, To be the notedst cot-queane that's about him. Tec. Sure Linus the she could not chuse but flout him. Cor. Perhaps she did, yet with that modestie, As she did shadow it so covertly, That he could fcarce difcouer what she ment. Lin. How ere Spudippus would be patient.

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Dor.

Dor. Then he's some gull, Lin. No he's a wealthy man, And fuch an one as rightly, fure I am, Knows how much milke crummock his core will give. And can discerne a riddle from a five. Cor. Linus, it feemes thou knowes him paffing well. Lin. Las if I would, some stories I could tett, Would make you laugh: for as it chanc'd one day. Some with my felfe did take his house by th' way. Where we an houre or two meant to remaine! To trie how he his friends would entertaine. Dor. And pray thee how? Lin. *I'le tell thee* Dorycles: Having an hours or two taken our eafe. And readie to depart (I pray thee heare) He fent one of his Scullerie for some beane. Which though long first, came in an earthen cup, Which being given to me, I drunke it vf; Which drunke. Cor. How then good Linus, pray thee fay? Lin. The rest were forc'd to go a thirst away. Dor. Had he no more? Cor. Thou vs'd him in his kind. Lin. May all be vfed fo that have his mind, But much I feare me, I've disturbed thee, Now Corydon shew what th'euent may be ! Cor. Long did these woe, but Celia could approve Of nothing leffe then of these swalllings love, Yet would she faine to fancie one of these,

Whereby she might her bedrid father pleafe.

Tech. Had she a father? Cor. Yes, a furly Lout,

Who

Who long had laine decrepit with the gout, And liu'd for all the world, and so did die Like to a hog, that's pent vp in a stie.

Dor. Some cancred erwig.

Cor. True, a very elfe,

Who car'd not who staru'd, so he fed himselfe.

He, as the want of one fense is exprest, By giving more perfection to the rest,

By guing more perfection to the rest,

For even his sense of seeling did decline,

Though he had bene a nigglar in his time,

Yea all those moving, active faculties,

Which in the heate of youth are wont to rife, Gaue way vnto suspition, lest his daughter

Through those love-luring gifts which many brought

Should fet her Maiden honor at whole fale. (her

Tech. Age h'as an eare indeed for every tale.

Cor. True, Technis true, for no affection can

Haue more bredominance ore any man, Then icalouic a felfe-confuming rage,

Is faid to have ore men of doting age.

Dor. Thy raton Corvdon?

Cor. That deesleeme

Of being now more weake then they have bene, Makes them refine at others now that may,

And are as abt to beget as they.

Tech. Tis righly noted Corydon.

Lin. Yes, he

Knowes by observance whence these humors be,

Cor. Linus I do, and better had I bene,

If I had never knowne what these things meane;

But shepheards you shall heare the reason, why I should this Dotan's humour thus descrie.

Sap. Yes, do good Swaine. Cor. It chanc'd vpon a night, (bright. A Moone-light night, when Moone and starres shine That I with other shepheards did repaire To th'old-mans house, and found faire Celia there, Whom I in curtile with a kind falute, Kist, & with speaking heart though tongue was mute, Wish'd, & what wishes do possesse a mind, That dare not vtter how his heart's inclind! She might be mine, thrice bleft in being mine. Dor. Why didst not woe her Swaine, for to be thine? Cor. Yes Dorycles I woed her, though not tien, For Maidens they are bashfull amongst men And dare not well in modestie impart, What they could give confent to with their heart; So as to tell thee truly Dorycles, We past that night in making purposes, Singing of catches, with fuch knowne delphts. As young folke vie to passe ore winter nights. And at that time, I may be bold to tell tiee, For fuch conceits I thought none could exell me. For well you know, I was in Hyble brd, And by the facred fifters nourished, So as being stor'd by Nature, help'd byart, There was no straine I bore not in fone part: Which gave faire Celia fuch entire cottent, As she discovered after, what she men. Though I may fweare, for five monts I came to her. And with some termes of art affaidto woe her: During which time, all th'answer could get, Was this; she did not meane to narrie yet. Tech. That's all the answer these loung women have, While

While they reiect what after they receive. Cor. Technis, indeed I did perceive as much, Though all young wenches humours be not fuch: But th'greatest cause of Celias distaste, Which made me many times the leffer grac't, Proceeded from that chrone her dogged father, As after by coniectures I did gather: Perswading her, that she should plant her love On fuch whose hopefull meanes might best approve Her discreet choice: and that was not to be Affianced to fuch an one as me. (faith. Dor. Alas poore Swaine; 'tis true what th' Prouerbe We aske not what he is, but what he hath. Cor. And yet perswasions which her father vs'd, Could not prevaile with her, for she had chus'd, In heart I meane. Tech. Whom did she dote vpon? Cor. Will ye beleeue me! Tech. Yes. Cor. Twas Corydon. Lin. Thrice happie fwaine. Cor. Thrice happie had I bene, If I had flept still in this golden dreame; But afterwards occurrences there were. Which thus abridg'd my hopes, as you shall heare. Such deepe impression had affection made, As there remained nothing vnaffaid, To confummate our wishes, but the rite.

Tech. Yes fomething elfe. Cor. What Technis! Tech. Marriage night.

Sap. They had enioyed that, you may suppose.

Cor.

Cor. No, Sapphus no, she was not one of those: So modest, chast, respective of her name, Pure and demure, as th' fweetneffe of her fame, Aboue the choifest odors that are sent From spicie Tmolus flowrie continent, Sent forth that fragrant and delightfull fauour, As none ere heard, and did not feeke to have her. For fundrie choise discourses have we had, And I nere knew that ought could make her glad, Which had least taste of lightnesse. Tech. Sure thou art, So much thy praises relish true desert, Worthy fuch vertuous beautie. Cor. Technis no, Albeit Celia esteem'd me so, As long and tedious feem'd that day to be, Which did deuide her from my companie. So as in filent groues and shady launes, Where Siluans, water-nimphs, fairies, and faunes, Vse to frequent, there would we sit and sing, Eying our beauties in a neighbour spring, Whose silver streamlings with fost murmring noise, To make our confort perfect, gaue their voice. And long did we observe this custome too, Though her confent did bid me ceaffe to woe: For now I was no woer, but her love, And that fo firmely linkt, as nought could move, Alter or funder our vnited hearts, But meagre death, which all true louers parts. Tech. Then Corydon, to me it doth appeare, That you were troth-plight. Cor. Technis fo we were.

But fee (good shepheards) what succeeded hence: This love she bore me did her fire incense. So as discurteously he pent his daughter In fuch a vault, I could not fee her after. Which when my friends perceiu'd, they grieved were, That th' love which I his Celia did beare, Should be rewarded with contempt and scorne. Being for parentage equally borne. With best of his, as most of you can tell. Lin. Proceed good Corydon, we know it well. Cor. For was I not of Polyarchus line, A noble shepheard! Sap. True, who in his time Solemniz'd many wakes on this our downe. And ere he dide was to that honour growne. As all our plaines refounded with his laies, Sung by our Swaines in Polyarchus praise. Cor. It feemes thou knew him Sapphus: but attend For now my storie draweth neare an end. My friends distasting this repulse of mine, Forc'd me from th' course whereto I did incline: So as my hopes confin'd, I'me driven to go From Adons vale vnto a mount of wo. Lin. Vnhappie shepheard. Cor. And vnhappie sheepe, For ill could I my heards from worrying keepe, Though to that charge my friends enioyned me, When I could scarcely keepe my owne hands free, From doing violence vpon my felfe: So as one day upon a ragged shelfe, Wreath'd round with Iuie, as I fate alone, Descanting Odes of sorrow and of mone,

I chanc'd on my mishap to meditate, Celias restraint, and my forlorne estate; Which done, I vow'd if fpeedy remedy Gaue no reliefe vnto my maladie, That very cliff where I repos'd that day, Should be the meanes to take my life away. Tech. O Corydon this foundeth of defpaire. Cor. It does indeed: but fuch a watchfull care, Had gracious Pan of me, that in short time, Thefe motives to defpaire 'gan to decline, And lofe their force : fo as when griefes grew ripe, I vs'd to take me to my oaten pipe. Dor. But ere thou proceed further, tell vs Swaine, Where all this time thou vied to remaine, Cor. A broad-spread oake with aged armes & old. Directs the paffenger the way he would, Neare Cadmus rifing hillocks, where the fpring Of golden Tagus vfeth oft to bring Such precious trafficke to the neighbour shore. As former times through blindneffe did adore Those curled streames, wherein they did descry Their love to gold, by their Idolatrie: That shady oake I say, and that blest spring, In my distresse, gave me such harboring; As night and day I did not thence remove, But waking mus'd, and fleeping dream'd of loue. Tech. Who ever heard the like! Dor. How didst thou live?

Cor. On hope.

Tech. Weake food.

Cor. Yet did it comfort giue, To my afflicted mind, which did desire,

Euer to singe her wings in fancies fire. For many weekes in this distrest estate, Wretched, forlorne, helpleffe and defolate, Sate I deiected, musing on despaire, And when those drerie clouds would once grow faire: But las the more I did expect reliefe, The leffe hope had I to allay my griefe. So as in th' end, as you shall after heare, All meanes for my redreffe abridged were. But that you may perceive what love can do, And how effectually her paffions show, I who before I louely Celia kent, Knew not what th' Heliconian Muses ment, Addrest my selfe; Lin. To what good Corydon? Cor. To write of love, and thus my Muse begun. Tech. Pray thee kind Swaine let's heare what thou

didst write.

Dor. Yes do: for well I know it will delight

S[h]epheards to heare, of shepheards amorous toyes;

Sap. On then good Corydon.

Cor. Haue at ye Boyes.

Celia speake, or I am dombe,
Here I'le soiorne till thou come,
Seeke I will till I grow blind,
Till I may my Celia sind.
For if tongue-tide, string would breake,
If I heard but Celia speake;
And if blind, I soone should see,
Had I but a sight of thee;
Or if lame, loue would find seete,
Might I once with Celia meete;

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Or if deafe, should I but heare Loues fweete accents from thy care ... Thy choice notes would me reftore, That I should be deafe no more. Thus though dombe, blind, deafe, and lame, Heard I but my Celias name, I should speake, fee, heare, and go, Vowing, Celia made me fo. Tech. Beshrow me Corydon, if I had thought, That love fuch strange effects could ere have wrought. Cor. Yes Technis, yes, loue's fuch a wondrous thing, That it will make one plungd in forrow fing, And finging weepe, for griefe is wont to borrow Some strains of ioy, that ioy might end in forrow. For what is woe (as we must needs confesse it) Having both tongue and teares for to expresse it, But a beguiling griefe, whose nature's fuch, It can forget, left it should grieve too much. Dor. Indeed fuch forrow feldome lasteth long, But fay good Swaine, heard Celia of thy fong ? Cor. I know not, Dorycles: but twas her lot, That from her keeper afterwards she got. Tech. Happie escape. Cor. Ah Technis, fay not fo, For this escape gave new increase to wo; Lin. How could that be? Cor. Heare but what did enfue. She was prevented by a ruffin-crue, As she upon the mountaines rom'd about, Through defart caues to find her shepheard out. Tech. Alas poore wench; what were they Corydon? Cor. Such as did haunt there, and did live vpon Rapine

Rapine and violence, triumphing in Impunitie, fole motiue vnto sin. In briefe, they were, for fo they did professe, Of brave Lauerna'es crue, that patronesse Of all diforder, and each evening time Offer'd stolne booties to her godlesse shrine. Tech. Mishap aboue mishaps. Cor. True, fo it was; My laffe she lost her lad, the lad his laffe. And fundry daies, this rout did her detaine, While haplesse, helplesse she did fore complaine Of their inhumane vfage, but her griefe, Sighs, fobs, teares, throbs, could yeeld her fmall reliefe: For in the end one of this forlorne crew. Seiz'd on my long-lou'd Celia as his dew, To whom espoused whether she would or no, She ends her life, her tedious life, in wo. Lin. A fad event: but can she not be freed? Cor. To what end Linus, she's dishonoured! Tech. Vnhappie fate. Cor. Besides, she now is tide, And by enforcement, made anothers Bride. Come shepheards come, and fay if ever time, Made heardmens woes fo ripe, as't hath done mine. Sap. Yes Corydon, though thou thy griefes haft Showne. Which makes thee thinke none equall to thine owne, I have a Tale will move compassion too, If Swaines have any pittie. Dym. Pray thee how? Sap. Nay I will not be daintie; but attend, And then compare our stories to the end,

And

And you'le conclude that neuer any Swaine Did loue fo well, and reape fo fmall a gaine.



The Argument.



Apphus woes Siluia,
Yet he thinks it ill,
To take to that,
Which he did neuer till.

The second Argument.



He, whose fweet and gracefull speech.
Might all other shepheards teach:
She, whom countries did admire,
For her presence and attire:

She, whose choise perfections mou'd, Those that knew her to be lou'd. She, euen Siluia, for saue she, None so faire, and firme could be; When she should be Sapphus Bride, And their hands were to be tide With their hearts in marriage knot, Sapphus heares of Siluias blot. Whereby Sapphus doth collect,

How

How hard it is for to affect, Such an one as will reioyce, And content her in her choice; He concludes, fince all things be Certaine in vncertaintie, Who would trust what women fay, Who can do but what they may. "Forts are won by foes affault, "If Maids yeeld, it is Mans fault.

THE SECOND EGLOGVE.

Sapphus tale.

Had a Loue as well as any you,
And fuch an one, as had she but her due,
Deferu'd the service of the worthiest swaine
That ere sed sheepe vpon the Westerne plaine.

Dym. Good Sapphus fay, what was thy laffes name? Was it not Siluia?

Sap. The very fame;

It feemes thou knew her.

Dym. Yes exceeding well,

And might have knowne her, but I would not mell, In more familiar fort.

Sap. Vnworthy Swaine,

Did her affection merit fuch a staine?

Suppose she threw some looser lookes upon thee,

And thou collected thence she would have won thee;

Is this th'requitall of the love she bore?

Dym. Nay on good Sapphus, Ple do fo no more.

Sap. No more! why now I fweare, and may be bold That Dymnus would have done it if he could.

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Why fir, what parts were ever in you yet, That she on you fuch fancie should have fet? Tech. Fie, shepheards fie, we come not here to scold: Come Sapphus, tell thy tale as we have told. Sap. Dymnus doth interrupt me. Lin. Dymnus ceaffe. Dym. Nay I have done, so he will hold his peace. But to vpbraid me, that I had no part To gaine her love, I fcorne it with my heart: For Ile ayouch. Tech. Nay then the strife's begun. Dor. Dymnus for shame. Dym. Nay shepheards, I have done. Dor. Pray then proceed good Sapphus. San. Willingly: Though I can hardly brooke this iniury. Dym. Why Sapphus, I am fure thou know ft all this, That she was light. Sap. I know she did amisse, Yet I must tell you Dymnus, 't had bene sit, That rather I then you had noted it: For it concern'd me most. Dym. Pray let it reft. I did not know fo much, I may protest. Sap. Dymnus, enough: and thus I do proceed; Vpon a time when I my flocks did feed, Her father Thyrsis chand to come that way. And to observe me more, a while made stay Vpon the Downe, where I did feede my sheepe: Who eying me, how duely I did keepe My woollie store (as I had care) from worrien. Scab, fought, the rot or any kind of murren:

Tooke

Tooke fuch a liking on me, as to fay The very truth, vpon next holy day, He did inuite me to his house, where I Found what was love in lovely Siluia's eye. In briefe, I lou'd her, I may boldly tell, And this her father notes, and likes it well: For oft vs'd he to fay, right fure I am, A penny in a man then with a man, He did esteeme more of, which he applide Vnto that care which he in me descride. Dym. A iolly Swaine he was. Sap. He was indeed, And on these Downs more frolicke rams did breed, Then any Swainling that did dwell about him, And truth to fay, they would do nought without him. Dor. Tis faid that Thirsk fro Thirsis tooke her name, Who thither with his heards a grazing came, And plaid vpon his pipe fuch pleafant straines, As he yet lives vpon the neighbour plaines. Sap. This know I Dorycles, that in my hearing, He pip'd fo fweete, that many shepheards fearing Th'melodious straines which issued from his reed, Would fo amaze their flocks they could not feede: Iountly together in a fecret caue, Where Palms and Mirtles their increasing have, They fo contriu'd an harbour for the nonst, That he might from the scorching Sunne be sconst, And fing at pleafure, while his accents raifing, Heardsmen were hearing, and their heards were gra-For curious feats hewne from the folid stone, Were aptly fram'd for Swaines to sit upon, Who in his voice conceiu'd fuch choice delight,

As a whole Sommer day from morne to night, Seem'd but an houre, so sweetly did he sing, While every day he found out some new spring. But all too long digression have I made; Falling in love with Silvia as I faid, I saw and perishd, perishd, for it cost My libertie, which I by feeing loft. Dor. Deare was that fight. Sap. Yet dearer may I sweare, Was she to me, then any senses were: For other objects I did wholly shon, Chusing her selfe for me to looke vpon. Neither was I hope-reft, for she did seeme To fancie me, hows ever she did meane; And I deferred it, as I thought that day, For clothed in my fuite of shepheards gray, With buttond cap and buskins all of one, I may affure you (heardimen) I thought none On all our Downe more neate or handfome was, Or did deserue more kindnesse from his lasse. Dym. A good conceit doth well. Sap. And truth was this, She shew'd me all respect that I could wish. And vndiffembled too, I am perfwaded, Though afterwards all that affection faded. For on a day, (this I thought good to tell, That you may thence perceive she lou'd me well) In a greene shadie harbour I repos'd, With Sycamours and Iunipers enclos'd, She privately into the harbour crept, Which feene, I fain'd afleepe, but neuer flept. Tech. A faire occasion !

Lin. How did she reveale Her loue? Sap. If you had felt, what I did feele, You never would awakt, but wisht do die. To In fuch a foule-beguiling phantagie, For first she eyed me, nor contented so, With nimble pace she to my lips did go: And calls, and clings, and clips me round about, Vfing a foft-sweete dalliance with her foote, Not to awake me from my chearefull dreame, But to impart what she in heart did meane; Wherewith I feem'd to wake. Tech. Why didst thou so? Sap. Technis, I thought she trod vpon my toe, But as I wak'd, she without further stay, Dying her cheekes with blushes, stole away. Dym. This shew'd she lou'd thee. Sap. So I know she did, But who can perfect what the fates forbid? For long we lived thus, and loved too, With vowes as firme as faith and troth could do, That nought should ere infringe that nuptiall band, Confirm'd betwixt vs two with heart and hand. So as with Thirs knowledge and confent, After so many weekes in love-toyes spent, It was agreed upon by either fide, That I should be her Bridgeroome, she my Bride. And th'day of Solemnization was fet downe, So as the choifest youths in all the towne, Addrest themselves, for I was valued then Amongst the chiefest Swaines, to be my men. Lin. I know it Sapphus, both thy wealth and worth, Were S_3

Were both of power enough to fet thee forth. Sap. In briefe, for I your patience might wrong, To fland upon these marriage rites too long; To th' Church we went, suspecting I may fweare, No fuch events as after did appeare. Tech. What fad events, good Sapphus? Sap. Being now Come to do that which we could nere vado, The Priest pronounc'd a charge, whereby was ment, If either of vs knew impediment, Why we should not be inyned, then to speake. That we in time might fuch a wedlocke breake: Or any one there prefent should show cause, Why we might not be married by the lawes: There to declare, in publicke one of thefe, Or elfe for euer after hold their peace. God speed them well, faid all, save onely one, Who flood from thence some distance all alone, Crying, aloud in open audience, Sapphus forbeare, there is no confcience, That thou should ionne thy hand to one defil'd; At least provide a father for her child, Which she kind pregnant wench is great withall. And, who ere got it, will thee father call. Tech. This was a strange prevention. Sap. I confesse it, But if y'ad heard how Meuus did expresse it, (For fo his name was) you would have admir'd His frontleffe impudence. Dym. Sure he was hir'd, To frustrate these solemnities. Sap. Ah no.

Beleeue

Beleeue me Dymnus it was nothing fo: For she was fruitfull long before her time, But th' fault was hers, it was no fact of mine: So as her neighbours judg'd and censurd on her, That she begun by time to take voon her. But this shall be in silence past for me, Onely she's shadowed in my *Omphale. And fo charactred, as the time may come, Siluia shall be as Flora was in Rome. Dor. But what fucceeded hence? Sap. Vpon this voice There streight arose a strange confused noise, Some Meuus tax'd, and faid he was to blame, To blemish any modest Maidens name; Others were doubtfull, left it should be true, And thus they thought, and thus it did enfue. I now fuspicious of this foule dishonour, Which Meuus publickly had laid voon her: Refolu'd those solemne spousals to delay, And put them off vntill another day: Meane while, (attend me Swains) when th'day came on That I should marrie, Siluia had a sonne. Cor. God bleffe the boy. Dym. Who might the child begit? Sap. Nay Dymnus fure, who ever fatherd it. Dym. Who I! Sap. Nay blush not man, for you have told, You might oft-times have done it if you wold; But I do wish her all the good I can, And praise her choise, though I be not the man. Tech. Vnhappie choice! Dor. Hard fate!

* A Poem entitled Omphale.

T'is nothing fo,
You'le heare a choife more fatall ere you go.
These were but toyes to entertaine the time,
Prepare your handkerchers if you'le have mine.
All. What, must we weepe?
Lin. Shepheards a while forbeare,
And if there be no cause, judge when you heare.



The Argument.



Inus doth Lesbia loue, And woe, and win, And after by her Lightnesse wrongeth him.

The second Argument.



Ouely *Lefbia*, who might be, For birth, beauty, quality, Styled Natures Paragon, Fram'd for *Swaines* to dote vpon; In a word for to expresse,

Feature of this Shepheardesse, If you would her stature know, She was neither high nor low;

But

But of fuch a middle fize, As if Nature did deuise, (For as't feemeth fo fhe ment) To make her, her prefident; With a Sun-reflecting eye, Skin more fmooth then iuory: Cherrie lip, a dimple chin, Made for loue to lodge him in: A fweete chearing-chasing sent, Which perfum'd ground where she went; A perswasiue speech, whose tongue Strucke deepe admiration dombe. She, euen she, whom all approu'd, Is by lively Linus lou'd, And at last (what would ye more) Though she was betroth'd before To Palemon, that braue Swaine, Who quite droupes through her disdaine, Is with rites folemnized, Vnto Linus married; Whom he finds (as heaven is iuft) After, staind with boundlesse lust, So as he laments his flate, Of all most vnfortunate, That he should in hope of pelfe, Wrong both others and himselfe.

THE THIRD EGLOGVE.

Linus tale.



Lou'd a lasse, alas that ere I lou'd,
Who as she seem'd to be, if she had
prou'd,

A worthier Swaine the country nere had bred,

And her I woing won, and winning wed. Tech. I like thee Linus, thy preamble's fhort; Lin. Technis, indeed I am not of that fort. Who for a thing of nought will pule and crie. And childishly put finger in the eye; The burden of my griefe is great to beare. Dor. What is it Linus, pray thee let vs heare? Lin. The Maid I got, and Lesbia was her name, Was to another troth-plight ere I came. Cor. How should she Linus then be got by thee? Lin. It was my fate, or her inconstancie. Hows'ere I have her, and poffeffe her now, And would be glad to give her one of you. Tech. Art wearie of thy choice? Lin. Technis, I am, For I'me perswaded she'd wearie any man. So feeming fmooth she is and ever was, As if she hardly could say Michaelmas: But privately fo violently fierce, As I'me afraid her name will spoile my verse. Cor. This is fome hornet fure. Lin. A very waspe.

Whose forked tongue who ever should vnclaspe, Would find't a taske to charme it. Dym. Is't fo tart; Lin. O Dymnus, that thou didst but feele a part Of my affliction, thou wouldst furely mone, And pittie me, that's matcht to fuch an one; For tell me shepheards was there ere so rare, A crime, wherein my Lesbia doth not share? Proud, (though before as humble to the eye As ere was Maid) fo as one may descrie, Euen by her outward habit what she is, And by her wanton gesture gather this: If thou be chaft, thy body wrongs thee much, For thy light carriage faith, thou art none fuch. Sap. Some fashion-monger I durst pawne my life. Lin. Sapphus 'tis true, fuch is poore Linus wife, Though ill it feemes a country Shepheardeffe, Such harsh fantasticke fashions to professe: One day vnto a Barber she'de repaire, And for what end but this, to cut her haire, So as like to a Boy she did appeare, Hauing her haire round cut vnto her eare. Cor. Good Linus fay, how lookt that Minx of thine? Lin. Like to a fleeceleffe Ewe at shearing time. So cowd she was, as next day she did show her Vpon the Downs, but not a Swaine could know her; So strangely clipt she feem'd, and in disguise, So monstrous ougly, as none could devise To fee one clad in loth fomer attire: And this she knew was farre from my desire, For I did euer hate it. Tech. Pray thee Lad

Tell vs in earnest how she might be clad! Lin. There is a fashion now brought up of late, Which here our country Blouses imitate, The cause whereof I do not thinke it fit, If I did know't, for to discover it, But fure I iudge, some rot's in womans ioynts, Which makes them faine to tye them up with points. Dym. With points ! Lin. Yes Dymnus, that's the fashion now, Whereof I have a tale, right well I know, Will make you laugh. Dor. Let's heare that tale of thine. Lin. Shepheards you shall; it chand a voon a time, That Lesbia, whose spirit ouer would Observe the fashion, do I what I could, Bearing a port far higher in a word, Then my abilitie could well afford: That she I say into this fashion got, (As what was the fashion she affected not) Of tying on with points her loofer waste; Now I observing how her points were plast, The Euen before she to a wake should go, I all her points did fecretly vndo, Yet therewithall fuch easie knots did make, That they might hold till she got to the wake, Which she not minding. Cor. On good Linus, on. Lin. She hyes her to the wake (my Corydon) Where she no sooner came, then she's tane in, And nimbly falls vnto her reuelling, But fee the lucke on't, while she scuds and skips, Her vnderbody falls from off her hips,

Whereat

Whereat fome laught, while others tooke fome ruth, That she vncas'd, should shew the naked truth. But heare what happen'd hence, ere th'fetting Sunne Lodg'd in the West, she heard what I had done; So as refolu'd to quite me in my kind, Next morne betime, she Hylus chanc'd to find. Sap. Who, Clytus boy / Lin. Yes Sapphus, felfe-fame Lad, Who was a good boy, ere she made him bad. Tech. Pray Linus how? Lin. Through her immodestie, She him allur'd for to dishonour me. Tech. Difloyall Lesbia; but pray the shew, Did Hylus (harmeleffe youth) confent thereto? Lin. Technis, he did: Dor. How shouldst thou know as much? Lin. She did display't her selfe. Dor. Is her shame fuch? Lin. Yes, and withall defide me to my face, With fuch iniurious speeches of difgrace, As patience could not beare. Tech. And didst thou beare them? Lin. Yes, Technis yes, & smild when I did heare them For this is my conceit, it feemeth no man, To shew his violence vnto a woman. Dym. Linus fayes well, but womans nature's fuch, They will prefume if men do beare too much. For if the tongue vpon defiance stand, The tongue should be revenged by the hand. Lin. Some would have done it Dymnus, but I thought If I revenge by fuch base meanes had sought, The woreld would condemne me; she could blind

Most

Most men with an opinion, she was kind, But in a modest fort: for on a time, Rich Amphybæus offring to the shrine Of Panaretus (as there went report) Sought for her love in a dishonest fort, With price, with prayer, yet nere attain'd his aime, To foile her honour, or her vertues staine; Sap. Women are nice when simple heard-men crave it, And will fay nay, when they the fainst would have it. Lin. 'Tis right; and now good shepheards tell me true, Haue I not cause, for I'le be judg'd by you. To mone my hard mishap? Tech. Thou hast indeed. (bleed; Cor. Thy woes, friend Linus, make my heartstrings Lin. I thanke you all; but will you heare a fong, Penn'd in the meditation of my wrong! Dor. For loves-fake do ! .. Lin. Iudge if the descant fit The burden of my griefe, for this is it; As for the note before I further go, My tune is this, and who can blame my woe?

If Marriage life yeeld fuch content, What heavie hap have I, Whose life with griese and forrow spent, Wish death, yet cannot die; She's bent to smile when I do storme, When I am chearefull too, She seemes to loure, then who can cure, Or counterpoize my woe?

My marriage day chac'd you away,

For I haue found it true,
That bed which did all ioyes display,
Became a bed of rue;
Where aspes do brouze on fancies floure,
And beauties blossome too:
Then where's that power on earth may cure,
Or counterpoize my woe?

I thought love was the lampe of life, No life without'en love,
No love like to a faithfull wife:
Which when I fought to prove,
I found her birth was not on earth,
For ought that I could know;
Of good ones I perceiv'd a dearth,
Then who can cure my woe?

Zantippe was a iealous shrow,
And Menalippe too,
Faustina had a stormie brow,
Corinna'es like did show;
Yet these were Saints compar'd to mine,
For mirth and mildlesse too:
Who runs diuision all her time,
Then who can cure my woe?

My boord no dishes can afford, But chasing dishes all, Where selfe-will domineres as Lord, To keepe poore me in thrall; My discontent gives her content, My friend she vowes her soe:

How

How should I then my forrowes vent, Or cure my endlesse woe?

No cure to care, farewell all ioy,
Retire poore foule and die,
Yet ere thou die, thy felfe employ,
That thou maift mount the skie;
Where thou may moue commanding Ioue,
That Pluto he might go
To wed thy wife, who end't thy life,
For this will cure thy wo!

Dym. I judge by this, that thou wouldst faine for fake And freely give her any that would take her. Lin. Dymnus I would, but I my croffe must beare, As I have done before this many yeare; But fince our griefes are equally exprest, Let's now compare which is the heaviest! Tech. I lost my Amarillida; Dor. But she Was nothing to Bellina. Dym. No, nor she Like to my faire Palmira. Cor. Nor all three Equall to Celia; Sap. Let Siluia be The onely faire. Lin. Admit, they all were faire, Your griefes with me, may have no equal! share. For you are free, fo as perhaps you may Make choice of some, may be as faire as they: But I am bound, and that in fuch a knot,

As onely death may it vnloofe, or not.

Tech. To Linus must we yeeld; but who are these?

Dor. Two iollie shepheards, that do hither prese,
With ribbon fauours, and rosemary sprigs,
Chanting along our Downes their rurall igs,
As to some wedding boun;
Sap. You may presume,
For Iohn vnto the May-pole is their tune,
And that's their bridall note.

Lin. Let vs draw neare them,
Close to this shadie Beech, where we may heare them.



The shepheards holy-day, reduced in apt measures to Hobbinalls Galliard, or Iohn to the May-pole.



Opso. Come Marina let's away,
For both Bride and Bridegroome stay,
Fie for shame are Swaines so long,
Pinning of their head-geare on?

Pray thee fee,
None but we,
Mong st the Swaines are left vnreadie,
Fie, make hast,
Bride is past,
Follow me and I will leade thee.

Forth of a curious Spinet graced with the boft
rarities of Art
and Nature,
Mopfus a hepheard, and Marina a hepheardeffe, finging a
Nuptiall hymne
in the way to the
Bridall.

Mar.

Max. On my louely Mopfus, on,
I am readie, all is done,
From my head onto my foote,
I am fitted each way to't;
Buskins gay,
Gowne of gray,
Beft that all our flocks do render,
Hat of stroe,
Platted through,
Cherrie lip and middle stender.

Mop. And I thinke you will not find
Mopfus any whit behind,
For he loves as well to go,
As most part of shepheards do.
Cap of browne,
Bottle-crowne,
With the leg I won at dancing,
And a pumpe
Fit to iumpe,
When we shepheards fall a prancing.

And I know there is a fort,
Will be well provided for't,
For I heare, there will be there
Liveliest Swaines within the Shere:
Ietting Gill,
Iumping Will,
Ore the floore will have their measure:
Kit and Kate,
There will waite,
Tib and Tom will take their pleasure.

Mar.

Mar. But I feare;
Mop. What doest thou feare?
Mat. Crowd the sidler is not there:
And my mind delighted is,
With no stroake so much as his.
Mop. If not he,
There will be
Drone the piper that will trounce it.
Mar. But if Crowd,
Strucke aloud,
Lord me thinks how I could bounce it!

Mop. Bounce it Mall, I hope thou will,
For I know that thou hast skill,
And I am sure thou there shalt sind,
Measures store to please thy mind;
Roundelayes,
Irish-hayes,
Cogs and rongs and Peggie Ramsie,
Spaniletto,
The Venetto,
Iohn come kisse me, Wilsons fancie.

Mar. But of all there's none fo sprightly
To my eare, as tutch me lightly:
For it's this we shepheards love,
Being that which most doth move;
There, there, there,
To a haire,
O Tim Crowd, me thinks I heare thee,
Young nor old,
Nere could hold,
But must leake if they come nere thee.
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Mop.

Mop. Blush Marina, sie for shame,
Blemish not a shepheard's name;
Mar. Mopfus why, is't fuch a matter,
Maids to shew their yeelding nature?

O what then,
Be ye men,
That will beare your selves so froward,
When you find
Vs inclin'd,
To your bed and boord so toward?

Mop. True indeed, the fault is ours,
Though we tearme it oft-times yours;
Mar. What would shepheards have vs do,
But to yeeld when they do wo?
And we yeeld
Them the field,
And endow them with our riches.
Mop. Yet we know,
Oft-times too,
You'le not sticke to weare the breches.

Max. Fooles they'le deeme them, that do heare them
Say, their wives are wont to weare them:
For I know there's none has wit,
Can endure or fuffer it;
But if they
Have no flay,
Nor difcretion (as tis common)
Then they may
Give the fway,
As is fitting to the woman.

Mop. All too long (deare loue) I weene,
Haue we flood vpon this theame:
Let each lasse, as once it was,
Loue her Swaine, and Swaine his lasse:
So shall we
Honor'd be,
In our mating, in our meeting,
While we stand
Hand in hand,
Honest Swainling, with his Sweeting.

Dor. How fay you shepheards, shall we all repaire Vnto this wedding, to allay our care?

Dym. Agreed for me.

Tech. And I am well content.

Cor. On then, let's make our life a merriment.

Sap. See where they come!

May Hymen aye defend them.

Lin. And far more ioy then I have had God fend them.

FINIS.

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OMPHALE,

OR,

THE INCONSTANT SHEPHEARDESSE.

Perijssem, nist perijssem.



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To her in whose chast breast choisest vertues, as in their Abstract, are seated:

The accomplished Lady P. W. wife to the Nobly-descended S.T.W. Knight:

and daughter to the much honoured, S.R.C.

All correspondence to her worthiest wishes.





OMPHALE,

OR.

THE INCONSANT

SHEPHEARDESSE.

N bondage free, in freedome bound
I am,
A hopeleffe, hapleffe, loue-ficke,
life-ficke man;
When I write ought, streight loue
preventeth me,

And bids me write of nought but Omphale:
When I ride East, my heart is in the West,
Lodg'd in the center of her virgin-breast.
The homeliest cell would chearefull seeme to me,
If I in it might live with Omphale.
My youth growes ag'd, for though I'me in my prime,
Love hath made furrowes in this face of mine;
So as last day (aye me vnhappie else)
Looking in th' glasse, I scarce could know my selse.
And I, from whom these sharpe extreames did grow,
Was not content, but I must tell her too,
Which made her proud, for sew or none there are,
(If women) but they'r proud if they be faire.
All this last Sommer hath it bene my hap,
To sport, toy, play, and wanton in her lap,

And

And ever th'more I plaid, if so I could, Or strength admitted meanes, the more I would: For truth confirmes that Maxime, where we find A lowing, loyall, well-disposed mind, Prest for encounter, there we love to plant, Feeding on Loues delights in midst of want; For Love contemnes all want, and counts't a gaine, To purchase one houres toy with two yeares paine. Alas how oft (too oft thou well may fay) Have I in private spent with her the day, Invoking th' Sunne, plants, heaven, and earth and all, If fall I should, she did procure my fall? And still she vow'd, and bit her lip, and stept Apart from me, and wip'd her eyes and wept, And flood and chid, and call'd me most vniust. To harbour in my bosome such distrust. And I (too credulous I) as one difmaid, Was forced to recant what I had faid, Swearing I was refolu'd that th' constancie.

fiftie daughters of Danaus, who out of a tender nuptiall affectio, faued her hufband Lynceus from that great Slaughter which was committed by her sisters, in flaying their husbands.

* Or Hypermus- Of * Hypemnestra match'd not Omphale. Thus did I gull my felfe to footh my loue, Who prou'd a Serpent, though she seem'd a Doue: For vowes, protests, and all that she had spoken, Were by her light affection quickly broken. And whence came this? not fro me, heaven thou knowes, But from my love who triumphs in my woes; My loue; raze out that name: she was indeed, When thou and she your lambkins vs'd to feede On Arnus flowrie banks, being wont to make Posies and nosegaies for her shepheards sake, And bind them to his hooke; but let that paffe, She is not she nor time the same it was.

For then (ô then) fuspicious eves were free. And none but heavenly bodies lookt on thee; (Too faire spectators,) though we now and then Dispence with Gods sight rather then with men. And can she thinke on this and not relent, Or thinking not of this, can she consent To leave Admetus? Yes, why can she not! Now loves she Cloris, and I feare his lot Will prove as fatall, for her very eye Tells me she meanes to tread her shoe awry. And this I faw before, and durst not fee, For th' love I bore to her, perswaded me She could not be fo thankeleffe, as requite My faithfull feruice with fuch strange despite: Yet I perceived, not by fuspicious feare, But by the Organs both of eye and eare, That love was fained which to me she bore, Reserving others to supply her store. And I confesse in th' end I iealous grew, For fome had many fauours, I but few; Others had fmiles, I frownes, fo as I fay, I found her former fancie fall away. Which gaue increase to griefe, cause to my eye To looke into her steps more narrowly; So as poore foole (fo vainely did I erre) I thought each bush did play th' Adulterer, So violent was this paffion; which to show, Though of Actaons there be store enow, I briefly meane, (and let all others paffe) To tell you how my iealous humour was. Each thing I ey'd, did represent to me, The louely feature of my Omphale,

Yet fo, as still that precious forme I faw. Did by attractive power another draw, To make her forme more complete, for we know, Number can ne're confift of leffe then two. Streight did I see, (fuspition made me see) My selfe made cuckold in a phantasie, Which in my thoughts fuch deepe impression tooke, As now and then I threw away my booke, Calling my felfe an Affe, to pore on that Which gave my wench time to cornute my pate; And to confirme the height of my difgrace, Suffer the riflng of her common place. Sometimes in filent nights, when hoarie care Is charm'd afleepe, and men exempted are From day-bred passions, would I start from bed. And sweare, the night had me dishonoured: While she (fleepe-lulled foule) did thinke no harme, But lay entwining me with arme in arme: Yet hearing me she wakt, and chid me too, For doing (humerous foole) what I did do. And as she chid I wept, yet inward faine, My dreames prou'd falfe. I went to bed againe. If I but found her in discourse with any, I streight renounc'd her love, and swore too many Were factors in my Pinnace, yet one frowne Sent from her brow, fubdude me as her owne. If she receiu'd a letter from a friend, I streight coniectur'd what it did intend; Supposing (vaine suppose) where th' place should be. That witneffe might the shame of Omphale: To which I vow'd revenge, though nothing were, But my owne thoughts that ministred this feare.

Oft would I faine (for what were all my thoughts. But fictions meerely) that she played nought With her owne shadow, and Narcissus-like. That in her forme she tooke fuch quaint delight, As forced now to furfet on her store, She prou'd this true: Much plentie made her poore. Thus did her presence cause me to admire her, Her absence like occasion to desire her; Without whose presence, though the Sunne shone faire, All feemed darke, because she was not there. Last time we parted with teare-trickling eye, Hand ioyn'd in hand right ceremonially, I calld the heavens and facred powers above, To witnesse with me my unfained loue, And vow'd withall, if ere it should appeare, I broke the faith which I had plight to her, Or entred any bed lasciniously, Intending to play false with Omphale. Or entertain'd least thought of difrespect To her or hers in nature of neglect, Or ever cancell'd th' deed, which (heavens you know, Was feal'd and was deliver'd twixt vs two) Or euer chang'd my fancie, to deuide My shared love vnto another Bride. Or ere disclaim'd what I in secret vow'd. Or difallow what Hymen had allow'd: If this or that, or any of these all, Should censure me of lightnesse, that my fall Might recompence my shame (which heavens forbid) And this I vow'd to do, and this I did. Nor did she spare to second me in this, But wish'd if ere she chanc'd to do amisse,

With an intent of ill, or violate Those folemne hests our loves had consummate, Or flain'd that spoulal rest, that blest repose, Where two encountred, yet were neither foes; Or disefteen'd my loue, or prized it Leffe then a conflant lower did befit, Or let one day or night paffe carelefly. Without recalling me to memory, Or give occasion to the world to fay, She loues another when her loue's away. Or extertaine a favour, or defery Least of affection by alluring eye, Or riot in my absence, or confort With any that might blemish her report, Or frequent publicke prefence, which might moue A fubiect for varietie of love: If this or that, or any should begin To taxe her life, might vengeance plague her finne. Thus we both vow'd, and thus we parted too. But heare how foone my love infring'd her vow; No fooner had the region of the West, Remov'd me from my love, and reft me reft, Where steepie mountaines ragged and vneuen, Ossa and Pelion-like do menace heaven, Where scalpie hils and sandie vales imply, The ploughmans toile's requited flenderly; Where their course feeding and their homely fare, Makes their wits lumpish, and their bodies spare: Then she (inconstant she) forgot me cleane, And all her vowes, as if I had not bene. Distance of place, made distance in our love, And as my body mou'd, her love did move

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From her first center: thus even in my Prime, Did my loue change, when I did change my clime. Thus like blind Cupids ball (by fancie crost) Was I to every hazard strangely tost; Thus was my feruice guerdon'd with difgrace, While Cloris crept into Admetus place: And can her height of sinne be thus forgot? No, wanton no, who is it knowes it not? So as thy crime thy nature will display. And make thy storie worse then Cressida. Who in contempt of faith, (as we do reade) Reiected Troilus for Diomede! Canst thou make shew of love to me or any, That art expos'd to louing of fo many? Canst thou have heart to vow, when thou for sooke, And didst infringe the oath which thou first tooke? Canst thou have face to come in open light, That hast incurr'd revenge in his pure sight, Whofe vengeance thou inuok't? canst thou repaire Vnto thy fex, or taste the common ayre, Having, (by making of thy faith so common) Infected th' ayre, impeach'd the Sex of women? Canst thou looke on that faithlesse hand of thine, And give it to another being mine? Canst thou, and see that face, not blush to see Those teares thou shed, and vowes thou made to me? Or canst embrace another in thy bed, Hearing thy first espoused friend not dead? Suppose I should surprize thee, could I long Restraine my hand, and not revenge my wrong? Could I allay my paffion vnexprest, Or fee th' Adulterer fleepe within thy bref?

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Could I endure my bed should be abus'd, Or fee her strumpeted, whom I had chus'd? Could I content my felfe to fee my shame, And coward-like, not to redreffe the fame? No, no infatiate thou, fooner could time Leave his gradation, or the Sunne to shine, Light bodies to afcend and leave their center. Rivers their downeward courfe, then I should venter My patience on that odds: but foolish I, That gave no credit to mine eare or eye, But made my fenses all Cassandra'es, where Mine eare prefag'd, yet I'de not trust mine eare: Such strange distempers doth this Circe breed, This phrensie-fancie in a louers head, That though he heare, see, taste, and touch, & smell His loues vnkindnesse, yet he dare not tell, But must renounce th' instruction of all these. Yea, (euen himselfe) that he his wench may please. O why should man tearme woman th' weaker kind, Since they are stronger, as we daily find, In will, and head, although their hufbands browes, Oft to a harder kind of temper growes? So as for all that we do style them weaker, They oft become to be their husbands maker! But now Admetus, wilt thou pine and die, And waste thy selfe for her inconstancie? Wilt thou lament the loffe of fuch an one, As hath refolu'd to keepe her faith with none? Or canst thou dote on her, that longs to be Affected of each youth that she doth fee? No, no Admetus, fince she proves vntrue, Shed not one teare nor figh, for none is due.

But offer Pan the chiefe of all thy flocke, That thou art rid of fuch a weathercocke. Now maist thou pipe vpon thy oaten reede, Whilest thy Mug-sheepe on Arnus pastures feede: Where bonnie Clytus will attend on thee, And Mopfus too will keepe thee companie. There the late-freed Capnus will repaire, And iov to taste the freedome of the avre: Where he will descant on no rurall theame, But on Ambitions curbe, the golden meane. And ioy he may, for who did ever heare Such alterations as in him appeare? Where long restraint hath labour'd to restore That loue to him which he had lost before. With whom Admetus may in confort ioyne, Comparing of your fortunes one by one; He to regaine the love which he had loft, Thou to forget her love that wrong'd thee most. And well would this befeeme Admetus straine, " For shepheards should not laugh at others paine, But in compassion of their grieues and them, To imitate their passions in the same. And this's a better course, and safer too, Then to do that which thou fo late didft do, Pining and puling, wishing death appeare. Which for thy wishes was no whit the neare. "For death (whe we are happie) will come nie vs, "But if we wretched be, then death will flie vs. How oft hath my experience made this good, When wishing death, I was by death withstood? For still I thought my woes would have an end If * Death arriv'd, afflictions welcome friend.

Iole in Oet. Her.

* Mors fola portus, dabitur ærumnis locus. ibid. Deian.

But th' more I fought, the more he fled from me, To make me riper in my miserie: "For griefe is of that nature, as it growes "In age, fo new effects it daily showes. Yet now thou lives (and thanks to th'powers above) Hast neare by this, supprest the thoughts of love. Now canst thou feed, and sleepe, and laugh, & talke. Sport, and tell tales, refresh thy felfe, and walke In flowrie Meedes, whileft thou feeft Cloris hing His iealous head to heare the Cuckow fing. Alas (poore man) what bondage is he in, To ferue a Swaine that's cauteriz'd in fin. Expos'd to shame, and prostitute to lust, In whom nor's grace, nor faith, nor love, nor truft? And heaven I wish, she may in time reclaime Her former course, and rectifie the same: But th' Pumice stone will hardly water yeeld. Or grace appeare in fuch a barren field: For fuch light mates encompasse her about. As Vertue's choak't before it can take roote. O Cloris, if thou knew Admetus mind, And th' hard conceit he h'as of womankind, Whose fairest lookes, are lures, affections, baits. Words, wind, vowes, vaine, and their protests de-

Songs, charms, teares, traines to trace vs to our end, Smiles, fnares, frowns, fears, which to our ruine tend: Then wouldft thou (Cloris) cenfure Omphale, The pregnant mirror of inconflancie, And curbe thy fancie, ere it have least part In one can vow so often with one heart. For heare me (Cloris) she did never show

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More love to thee, then she to others too: Yet what art thou (if man) maist build thee more Vpon her faith then others did before? What art thou canst perswade thy selfe of this, She'le not tread right, h'as trod fo long amisse, Or that she'le now prove constant, that h'as prou'd, So faithleffe to the most, that she has lou'd? No, Cloris, no, the Prouerbe it is true, And is confirm'd in her whom thou doest sue; "To wash the Moore, is labouring in vaine, "For th'colour that he h'as, is di'd in graine. So th'more thou striues to make her blacknes white, Thou drawes heavens curtaine to display her night. Her night indeed, faue that no starres appeare, (No lights of grace) within her hemi-spheare, But th'changing Moone, whose lightnesse doth expresse That light-inconstant mind of Omphales: " Where Vertue feemes at Nature to complaine, " That vice should be at full, and she at waine. Yet Nature answers, she h'as done her part, And that the fault is rather in her heart, That is fo spacious, to entertaine The wavering love of every wanton Swaine. And I affent to Nature, for it's showne, By her rare workemanship, what she h'as done, In giving beautie lustre, her content; In forming her, her felfe to reprefent. And reason good; for when I thinke vpon, That Zeuxes, Phydias, and Pigmalion, (Those native artists) who indeed did strive To make their curious statues feeme aliue, Reducing art to Nature; then I find, U_2 Nature

Nature had cause to satisfie her mind In fomething about art, that after-time Might move her to reioyce, art to repine. And what more moving patterne could there be, Then the admired forme of Omphale, Whose feature equall'd Nature, and did show The very Spring whence fancie's faid to flow ? For first her stature's seemely, which I call, Neither too dwarfish low, nor giant-tall; Her front a rifing mount, her eyes two lamps, Which, wherefoere she lookes impression stamps; Her cheeke twixt rofie red and fnowie white, Attracts an admiration with delight; Her note nor long nor short, nor high nor low, Nor flat, nor sharpe, the token of a shrow; Her mouth nor ferret-straite, nor callet-broade, But of an apt proportion, as it should; Her breath the fragrant odour, which love fips From these two cherrie portels of her lips; Where those two inory pales or rowes of teeth, Accent her speech, perfumed by her breath; Her chin th'inclining vale, deuided is, By th' daintie dimple of loues choifest bliffe, Which, as maine flouds from smallest currents flow, Deriues her fweets to th'rivelings below; Her necke a rocke enazur'd with pure veines Of orient pearle, which with amorous chaines Of low's defir'd embraces, charmes the eye, And tyes it to her obiect, when she's by; Her breafts two Orbs or Mounts, or what you will That may include perfection, which to fill The world with admiration, are layd out,

To worke the feate her lightnesse goes about; Two prettie nipples, one oppos'd gainst t'other, Challenge the name of Nurfe afwell as Mother: Though fome (for state makes love to children worse) Scorne, being mothers to become their nurse. In briefe her all, (because I'le not descend, In praise of that, where praises have no end) Is beauties faire Idæa, which implies Height of content, to loues amazed eyes. And yet this she, the modell of delight, Though outward faire, feemes to my inward fight, As spotted as the Ermine, whose smooth skin, Though it be faire without, is foule within. For what more foule then vice? but chiefly that Which makes a woman to degenerate, From her more shamefast Sex, where modestie Should fit vpon her cheeke, to verifie (reft. What th'Comick faid: *ftraid thoughts find neuer * Errant, nec "But shamefast lookes become a woman best. Indeed they do; for there is greater fence, That shame should move man more then impudence; For bashfull lookes adde fuell to loues fire, While th'spirit of lust doth with her flame expire. Which makes me wonder, that th' interiour light Whence man refembles God, should lofe his fight, By doting on an Idoll, that can take To charme loves dazled eyes a Syrens shape, Making Art vye with Nature for the best, And foiling that which should furpasse the rest. For what is faire, if that be all there is, But an eye-pleasing thing, that yeelds no bliffe, Wanting that inward faire, which who enioyes, **Esteemes**

fedem repetunt ferenam Quæ petulanti corde refurgunt, &c.

Esteemes all outward ornaments as toyes, Compared to that beauty, which no Art Could ever equall, or expresse in part? Indeed the grace of vertue is more rare, And exquisite, when the that's good is faire, For the becomes most complete well we know, That's grac'd with vertue and with beautie too. Whence that experienft * Morall vs d to reach A looking glaffe to fuch as he did teach; Wherein, if fuch were faire themselves did ex He would exhort them rather to apply Their minds to vertue, for great pittie twee, Foule foules (quoth he) should have a face so faire: But if deform'd, he streight would counfall them, With wholesome precepts to supply the same; For fit it were (quoth he) a face so squile, Should be prouided of a beauteous foule. But rare's this composition, for we fild, Seldome that double bliffe in womankind, Where the that's faire can foone admire her owne, And knowes what Nature for her felfe hath done: Yea she by this can learne another straine, Put on coy looks, and th'fashion of disdaine, (breath, Minf-speech, huff-pace, sleeke-skin, and perfum'd Goats-haire, brefts-bare, plume-fronted, fricace-All which infuse new motions izto man, (teeth, Late borrow'd of th' Italian Cirtezan. But now to thee thou wanton, will I come, To taxe, not vifit that polluted tombe, Of all infection, which to give it due, Is now become no Temple but a stue; Tell me, difdainfull faire, if I ere wrong'd,

* Secrates.

Or thee, or any that to thee belong'd! Haue I incurr'd dishonour, or devoted My loue to many, whereby I am noted? Haue I bene too profuse in my respect, To othersome, and blancht thee with neglect? Haue I incurr'd a merited difgrace, In begging love when thou was out of place? Have I by courting any, ere exprest, My feife ought leffe then what I still profest? Didst ever see a fauour worne by me, But that poore bracelet I received of thee, Twisted with gold, and with thy faithlesse haire, Which nou I'ue throwne away with all my care? Did I ere van and breake, as thou hast done, Or plight my faith (faue thee) to any one? Why then shouldst thou infringe that facred oath, Which with a kiffe was fealed to vs both. When fcarce on houre did vs occasion give. (So short was tine) to take our lasting leave? But I can gueffewhere thou wilt lay the blame: Not on thy felfe, ut on them whence thou came. That lustfull stock I meane, which gave beginning To thee of being firt, and then of finning. It's true indeed, weknow a poisoned spring, Can feld or never wholefome water bring, Nor can we looke that any barren field, Should ought faue taes or fruitlesse Darnell yeeld: For this from Scriptue may collected be, "Such as the fruite is fuch is still the tree. Too late I find this true and heavens I wish. My former harmes maycaution me of this; For what is ill descended in a blood.

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Sooner and furer too, then what is good. " For th'fathers vertues still attend his bere, "And being dead, with him lie buried there; "But th'vices which he had are not content "To die with him, but liue in his descent. So native is thy ill, having her birth From that corrupted flock which brought thee forth, As fooner may the Æthiope become white, The Cymmerian pitchie shade transparent light, The Tiger leave his nature, th'Wolfe his prev The Sunne to guide the chariot of the day, The * Pellican her defart, or the * Craine. That nat'rall love which in her doth remaine Vnto her parents; then thy parents shane, Got by their finne, be wiped from thy name. No wanton, no, thy darkneffe is difplad, Which can by no meanes re-differfe he shade, But shall furuine all time; for it's the will Of Powers aboue, there should be lie in ill, As well as good : that th' memory if the first Might make fucceeding ages count her curft. For I have red (and thou was cave I red) Some fickle Dames in stories mentoned, Whose small respect to th' honourof their name, Hath made them since the lastingheires of shame:

* Portia the fanous Curtizan nd that noble adie, an emipatterne of Senatour.

Two of which name there werelf different kind. In th' various disproportion of heir mind; nodestie, wife to "One good, one ill, one light one constant proving,

" One spoufall-lothing, one he honour louing. But which of these can equal Omphale?

And fuch were Messalina, Marti,

Faustina, Lays, Claudia, * Porta,

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Or which of these live more licentiously? All patternes in their time (as well they might) And cautions too, to move vs tread aright That do fucceed them: yet observe this staine, This wedlocks-blemish, and you will complaine, Of th' present times, that they'r more ripe in sinne, And breach of faith, then former times have bin. More ripe indeed, for where's that age become, "Folke di'd for loue, as we haue red of fome, Who their affections fo implanted have, As nought could bury fancie but their grave? But these were childish times; indeed they were, For rather then for her I'de shed one teare, That difesteemes my loue, or fend one grone, Or figh, or fob, or pule, or make a mone, Or fold my armes, as forlorne louers vfe, Or grieve to lose, when she doth others chuse, Or breake my fleepe, or take a folemne fast, I wish that taske might be Admetus last. No Omphale, though time was when I mourn'd, That time is chang'd, and now my humour's turn'd; So as I fcarce remember what thou art, That once lay neare and deare vnto my heart. Now is my Pasture greene and flourishing, And poore Melampus which was wont to hing His heavie head (kind curre) for's maisters fake, Begins his fullen humour to forfake. Now is my bottle mended, and my hooke, My bag, my pipe, fo as if thou should looke, And fee Admetus with his woollie store, Thou'de fay, he were not th'man he was before; And judge him too, (to fee him now reviue,

And change his note) the happiest man alive.

And so I am, to live and leave to love,

(Though faithfull mates would stinty natures

Whose rare effects the Poet seemes to show, mou

When wives expresse the affections which they owe.

"* Turtle with Turtle, husband with his mate,

"In distinct kindes one love participate.

But since affection is so rare to find,

Where the face weares not the liverie of the mind,

And womans vowes (as * the Satyre rightly faith)

Be rather made for complement then faith;

Be free from love Admetus: if not free,

At least from love of such as Omphale.

Turture fic turtur iungit amanda fuo.

* Sic iurare folent, fed non feruare puellæ. Lucian.

FINIS.



A Poem describing the leuitie of a woman: reserving all generous respect to the vertuously affected of that Sexe.



Irst I feare not to offend,
A very thing of nothing,
Yet whom thus farre I commend,
She's lighter then her clothing:
Nay from the foote vnto the crowne,

Her very Fan will weigh her downe: And marke how all things with her Sexe agree, For all her vertues are as light as she.

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She chats and chants but ayre,
A windie vertue for the eare,
T'is lighter farre then care,
And yet her fongs do burthens beare.

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She dances, that's but mouing,
No heavie vertue here she changes,
And as her heart in loving,
So her feete in constant ranges.

She foftly leanes on strings, She strikes the trembling lute and quauers:

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Thefe are no weightie things, Her strokes are light, fo are her fauours. Thofe are her vertues fitting to her kind, No fooner showne, but they turnd all to wind.

Then to you, O Sexe of fethers,
On whose browes sit all the wethers,
I send my Passion weav'd in rimes,
To weigh downe these light emptic times.

Descript.

W Hat are you, O heires of scorning,
But like Dew that melts each morning;
Euening vapours, and nights prize,
To answer our voluptuous eyes:
And but to screene that sinnes delight,
I thinke there never had bene night.

Nor had we bene from vertue fo exempt,
But that the tempter did leave you to tempt.
You bit the Apple first that makes vs die,
Wheres'ere we looke the apple's in our eye,
And death must gather it; for your turn'd breath,
And mortall teeth e'en to the core strucke death.

FINIS.

HIS ODES:

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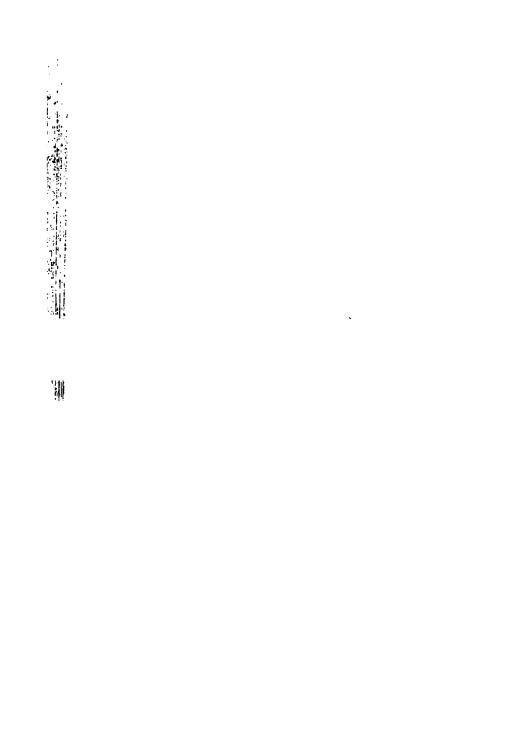
PHILOMELS

TEARES.

Odes in straines of sorrow tell Fate and fall of every fowle, Mounting Merlin, Philomel, Lagging Lapwing, Swallow, Owle; Whence you may observe how state Rais'd by pride, is raz'd by hate.



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TO THE GENEROVS.

INGENIOVS, AND IVDICIOVS

PHILALETHIST, Thomas Ogle Esquire: the fucceeding iffue of his divinest wishes.

Nknowne to you I am, yet knowne I am To th'better part of you, your vertuous name;

Which like a precious odour hath infus'd

Your love fo much in me, as I have chus'd Your felfe, to patronize what I have writ, Whose name I thought had power to shelter it. I grant indeed, Smooth * Eagle for your name, Includes that Sun-reflecting (Anagram) Thefe birds which in my Odes their fates difplay, Are some night-birds, as others of the day; Which in my iudgement, tenders more delight, To fee how fin's orecurtained by night, Whereas the day fends forth his golden raies, And shewes fuch birds as chant their maker's praife. ibid. Plin. in Nat. Which Morall, as it fuites thefe times of ours, I do disclaime my right in't, it is yours, If you esteeme it worthie to obtaine Your approbation: This is all our ayme.

* Sic tereti ourlu repetit spiracula montis Aquila, quæ valles ípernit, vt alta petat. Sol radios mittit, radiofq; re-flectit ocellis; Aquila fis vifu femper (Amice) tuo. Àlcyat. in Emblem. Samb. Hist. Ælian. ibid. Greg. in Mor. expo. in





THE TRAVELLOVR, DILATING VPON THE

fundrie changes of humane affaires,

most fluctuant when appearing

most constant.

ANODE.



Ell me man, what creature may Promife him fuch fafe repose, As fecure from hate of foes, He may thus much truly say,

Nought I haue I feare to lofe, No mischance can me dismay; Tell me, pray thee (if thou can) If the *woreld* haue such a man!

Tell me, if thou canst discerne By thy reasons excellence, What man for his prouidence, Of the *Pismire* may not learne: Yet that creature hath but sense, Though she do her liuing earne, Spare, not costly, is her sare, Yet her *granar* shewes her care!

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Tell me, can't thou shew me him, That exact in each deuice, Is at all times truly wise, And is neuer seene to swim (For in this his judgement lies) Gainst the current of the streame, But seemes to have full command, Of each thing he takes in hand!

Tell me, was there euer knowne Such a man that had a wit, And in fome part knew not it, Till at last conceited growne, He grew prowder then was fit, Euer boasting of his owne; For that Maxime true we know, "He that's wittie, knowes him fo!

Tell me, is that man on earth,
Whose affaires so stable are,
As they may for all his care,
Fall not crosse and crabdly forth,
And of sorrowes haue no share,
Which descend to man by birth;
What is he can promise rest,
When his mind's with griese opprest!

Tell me, is there ought fo strong, Firmely-constant, permanent, Or on earth such true content, As it fadeth not ere long:

Is there ought so excellent,

As it changeth not her fong, And in *time* that all deuoures, Mixeth fweets with fharpest foures!

Tell me, who is he that shines In the height of Princes loue, Sitting minion-like with *Ioue*, Glorying in those golden times, But he seares something may moue His distast by whom *He* climbes: Wherefore he that seares to fall, Should sorbeare to climbe at all!

Tell me, where is Fortune plac'd,
That the may not men beguile,
Shrowding frownes with fained fmile;
Where is He fo highly grac'd,
Shewing greatnesse in his stile,
Hath not bene in time out-fac'd,
By some rivall, where still one
Strives to put another downe!

Tell me, then what life can be
More fecure, then where report
Makes vs onely knowne to th' Court,
Where we leade our liues fo free,
As we're strangers to refort,
Saue our private familie;
For I thinke that dwelling best,
Where least cares disturbe our rest!



THE NIGHTINGALL.

2. ODE.



Vg, IVg; faire fall the Nightingall
Whose tender breast
Chants out her metric Madrigall,
With hawthorne press:

T'eu, T'eu, thus fings fhe euen by euen, And reprefents the melodie in heauen; T'is, T'is, I am not as I wish.

Rape-defiled *Phylomel*In her fad mischance,
Tells what she is forc'd to tell,
While the *Satyres* dance:
Vnhappie I, quoth she, vnhappie I,
That am betraide by *Tereus* trecherie;
T'is, T'is,
I am not as I wish.

Chast-vnchast, defloured, yet
Spotlesse in heart,
Lust was all that He could get,
For all his art:
For I nere attention lent
To his suite, nor gaue consent;
T'is, T'is,
I am not as I wish.

Thus

Thus hath faithlesse Tereus made Heartleffe Phylomele Mone her in her forlorne shade, Where griefe I feele: Griefe that wounds me to the heart, Which though gone, hath left her fmart; T'is, T'is, I am not as I wish.



THE LAPWING.

3. ODE.



Nhappie I to change my aerie nest, For this same marish dwelling where I

Wherfore my fong while I repeate,

I'le close it vp; Rue yet, rue yet.

Euery Cowheard driving his beafts to graze, Disturbs my rest, me from my nest doth raise, Which makes my young take vp this fong, To wreake my wrong; Rue yet, rue yet.

Thou fubtile Stockdoue that hast cheated me, By taking vp thy nest where I should be, Hast me and mine in perill set, X_3

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Whose fong is fit; Rue yet, rue yet.

Solely-retired, fee I liue alone,
Farre from recourse or fight of any one,
And well that life would suite with me,
Were I but free;
Rue yet, rue yet.

Young-ones I have, that thinking I am fled,
Do leave their neft, and run with fhell on head,
And having found me out we cry,
Both they and I;
Rue yet, rue yet.

Crest-curled mates why do you beare so long
The Stockdoues pride, that triumphs in your wrong
Let vs our fignals once display,
And make him say;
Rue yet, rue yet.

Too tedious hath our bondage bene I wis, And onely patience was the cause of this, Where if we would contract our power, We'de sing no more; Rue yet, rue yet.

March on then brauely, as if Mars were here, And hate no guest so much as flauish feare, Let the proud Stockdoue seele your wing, That he may sing; Rue yet, rue yet. Let none escape, though they submissive seeme, Till you have spoil'd and quite vnsether'd them, So you shall make them vaile the wing, And henceforth sing; Rue yet, rue yet.



THE OWLE.

4. ODE.



A Kings daughter, fee what pride may do,

In fatall *yewe* takes vp my forlorne feate,

The cause wherof was this, if you would know,

I would have better bread then grew on wheate, Though now a *Moufe* be all the food I eate, And glad I am when I can feed of it.

Ruff-curled necke, fee I referue fome show Of what I was, though far from her I was, Wherein my boundlesse pride so farre did grow, That as in place I did the rest surpasse, So in the purest beautie of my face, Courting my selfe in fancies looking-glasse.

Milke-bathed skin, see wantons what I vs'd,
To make my skin more supple, smooth, & sleeke,

X 4 Wherein

Wherein my natiue hue by Art abus'd, I lay a new complexion on my cheeke, Sending my eyes abroad futers to feeke, And vying fashions with each day i' th weeke.

Nought I affected more then what was rare, "Best things (if common) I did disesteeme, Seld was I breathd on by the publike ayre, "For those are most admir'd are seldome seene, Which is, and hath a custome euer bene, "Such as come oft abroad, we vulgar deeme.

Thus felfe-admir'd I liu'd, till thus transform'd, I got a feature fitting with my pride:

For I that fcorned others, now am fcorn'd,
Had in difgrace, and in purfuite befide;
May the like fate like spirits are betide,
So worthlesse honour shall be soone describe.

For ruff thick-fet, a curle-wreathed plume, Round 'bout my necke I weare, for tyres of gold A downie tuft of feathers is my crowne, For fan in hand my clawes a pearch do hold, And for those cates and dainties manifold, "A mouse I wish, but wants her when I would.

Be well aduis'd then *Minions*, what you do, "Portray my *feature*, and make *vfe* of it, What fell to *me* may likewife fall to you, And then how daring-high fo ere you fit, Nought but dishonour shall your *pride* begit, "Dead to report of *Vertue* as is fit.

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THE MERLIN.

5. ODE.



Hence Nifus, whence,
Is this the fate of kings,
For arme on Scepter,
To be arm'd with wings?

Poore speckled *bird*, see how aspiring may Degrade the high, and their estate betray.

Once Fortune made
Nifus her fauorite,
And rer'd his throne
To fuch vnbounded height,
That forreine states admir'd what he posses,
Till slie ambition nestled in his breast.

Till then how bleft,
And after fee how bafe
His greatneffe fell,
When reft of Princely grace;
Those many fleering Parasites he gain'd,
In his successe, not one in want remain'd

Cheffes he weares

Now on his downie feete,

Where

Where once guilt fpurs,
With flore of pearle fet
Adorn'd his nimble heeles, and hooded now,
His beuer wants: this can ambition do.

Vp still he mounts,
And must a pleasure bring,
That once was king,
To meaner then a king;
Where he, who once had Falkners at command,
Is faine to picke his meate from Falkners hand.

Imperious fate,
What canst not thou effect,
When thou perceiues
In man a dif-respect
Vnto thy honour, which we instanc'd see,
In no one Nifus better then in thee!

But flow bird flow,

See now the game's a foote,

And white-maild Nifus,

He is flying to't;

Scepter, Crowne, Throne & all that Princely were

Be now reduc'd to feathers in the ayre.



THE SWALLOW.

6. ODE.



Ou chatt'ring Fleere, you Faune, you fommer-friend,
Not following vs, but our fuccesse,
Will this your flatt'ring humour nere haue end.

Of all other meritlesse?

Flie I say, slie, be gone,

Haunt not here to Albion:

She should be spotlesse, as imports her name,

But such as you are borne to do her shame.

How many faire protests and solemne vowes,
Can your hatefull conforts make,
Wheras (heauen knows) these are but only shows
Which you do for prosit-sake?
O then leaue our coast and vs,
Blemish'd by your soule abuse,
Vertue can haue no being, nor could euer,
Where th' Parasite is deem'd a happy liver.

Tale-tattling goffip, prone to carrie newes,
And fuch newes are euer worft,
Where false report finds matter, and renewes
Her itching humour till it burft,

Where

Where each even finds tales enough,
All the gloomie winter through,
To passe the night away, and oft-times tries,
That truth gets friendship seldomer then lies.

Spring-time when flowers adorne the chearefull
And each bird fings on her fpray, (mede,
When flowry groues with bloffoms checkered,
And each day feemes a marriage day,
Chatt'ring Swallow thou can't chufe
Then a time to vifit vs:
Such are thefe fained friends make much vpon vs,
When we are rich, but being poore they fhun vs.

The stormie winter with his hoarie locks,
When each branch hangs downe his head,
And icie slawes candies the regged rocks,
Making fields discoloured,
Drives thee from vs and our coast,
Where in fpring-time thou repost;
Thus thou remaines with vs in our delight.

But in our discontent th'art out of fight.

Time-feruing humorist that faunes on Time,
And no merit doest respect,
Who will not loath that sees that vaine of thine,
Where deserts are in neglect,
And the good is priz'd no more
Then the ill, if he be poore?
Thou art the rich mans claw-backe, and depends
No more on men, then as their trencher-friends.

Go turne-taile go, we have not here a Spring
For fuch temporizing mates,

Pan's in our Ile, and he fcomes flattering;
So those Guardians of our States,
Who are early vp and late,
And of all, this vice doth hate:

Flie tell-tale, flie, and if thou wilt, complaine thee,
That Albyon's harsh, and will not entertaine thee.



THE FALL OF THE LEAFE.

7. ODE.



Lora where's thy beauty now,
Thou was while'om wont to show?
Not a branch is to be seene,
Clad in Adons colour greene;
Lambkins now haue left their skip-

Lawn-frequenting Fauns their tripping; (ping, Earths bare breaft feeles winters whipping, And her brood the North-winds nipping.

Though the Boxe and Cypreffe tree, Weare their wonted liuerie, And the little Robin scorne
To be danted with a storme,
Yet the Shepheard is not so,
When He cannot see for snow,
Nor the flocks which he doth owe,
And in drifts are buried low.

Nor

Nor the Grazer, discontent
That his fodder should be spent,
And when winter's scarce halfe-done,
All his slacks of hay are gone;
Nor the Lawyer, that is glad
When a motion's to be had,
Nor poore Tom, though he be mad;
"Cold makes Tom a Bedlam sad.

Nor the Webster, though his feete By much motion get them heate, Nor the knaue that curries leather, Nor the cross-ledge'd Taylor neither, Nor at glass-worke, where they doubt Lest their costly fire go out, Nor the carefull carking Lout, That doth toyle and trudge about.

No, nor th' Ladie in her coach, But is muff'd when frosts approach, Nor the crazie Citizen, But is furrd vp to the chin, Oister-callet, slie Vpholster, Hooking Huxster, merrie Malster, Cutting Haxter, courting Roister, Cunning Sharke, nor sharking foister.

Thus we fee how Fall of th'leafe, Adds to each condition griefe, Onely two there be, whose wit Make hereof a benefit; Thefe, conclusions try on man,

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Surgeoi

"Surgeon and Physician, While it happens now and than, Kill then cure they sooner can!

Now's their time when trees are bare, Naked fcalps have lost their haire, Teeth drop out and leave their gumms, Head and eyes are full of rheumes, Where if Traders strength do lacke, Or feele aches in their backe, Worse by odds then is the racke, They have drugs within their packe.

Thus the harshest seasons come
In good season vnto some,
Who have knowne (as it is meete)
Smell of gaine makes labour sweet:
But where labour reapeth losse,
There accrews a double crosse;
First, fond cares his braine doth tosse,
Next, his gold resolves to drosse.

FINIS.



To my knowing and worthie esteemed friend Avgvstine Vincent, all meriting content.

Augustines Vincentius, Tute vincas ingeniolus.



Ay you be in Your actions profperous, And as *ingenious*, So victorious;

So may your fate,
Smile on your happie name,
And crowne you with,
A glorious Anagram:
While Vertue,
(Mans best lustre) seemes to be,
That ftyle, which stamps
You deepe in Heraldrie.

BRIT.



BRITTANS BLISSE.

A Pean of thanksgiving for our long enioyed peace under a gracious Soveraigne.



Eace, Plentie, Pleasure, Honour, Harbour, Health, Peace, to encrease In substance and in wealth;

Plentie, to praife,
Heauens Soueraigne the more,
Pleafure, to folace vs
Amidst our store,
Honour, to guerdon
Merit in our time,
Harbour, to sit
Each vnder his owne vine,
Health, to enioy
A blessing so deuine,
Deriu'd from Iesses roote
And Dauids line.

Y

Health,

Health, Harbour, Honour, Pleafure, Plentie, Peace, Which from our Soueraigne Have their prime increase; Health, to performe Our distinct offices, Harbour, to shroud vs From extremities, Honour, to crowne The temples of defert, Pleasure, to cheare The intellectuall part, Plentie, to store Our hopes with all fucceffe, Peace, to accomplish Our full happinesse.

All which, by heavens hand powr'd on Albyon, Make vp a Catalogue to looke vpon; That for fo many quiet Halcyon dayes, Her precioust prize, might be her Makers praise.

Pacis, honoris, amoris, Edena Britannica nostri, Rege regente bono, leta trophæa gerit. Vpon



Vpon the worthie and fincere Proficients and Professants of the common Law; an Encomiastick Poem.



Aw is the line,
Whose levell is dispatch,
A lampe, whose light shewes
Institute what is right,
A larke, whose vnseal'd eyes

Keepes early watch,
A loome, whose frame
Cannot be sway'd by might,
A list, where truth
Puts iniury to flight;
Streight line, bright lampe,
Sweete larke, strong loome, choice list,
Guide, shine, shield, guard,
And live truths Martialist.

Law is the sterne,
Which steares the ship of state,
The glorious stem
Whence Institute sciens spring,
The chearefull starre,
Which early shines and late,

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The flaffe, whose stay
Supports the languishing,
The ftreame, whose spring
Is ever cherishing;
Rare fterne, rich ftem, cleare ftarre,
Firme ftaffe, pure ftreame,
Steere, cheare, direct, support,
Refresh the meane.

Bleft then are you,
Who labour to redreffe
The poore mans cafe,
And meafure your contents
By shielding th'weake
From awfull mightinesse,
Like graue Professants,
Good Prosicients,
Clozing with equitie
Your ioynt consents;
'Tis you, 'tis you,
Who in this blemishd time,
Send out your lights
While other starrs decline.

When Greece in glory flourish'd, She did reare Some *Images* neare *Iustice* facred throne,

Which

Which to be lame and blind Portrayed were, As proper objects
To be look'd vpon, Implying what
In Iuftice should be done; Blind to distinguish Friend or foe, and lame, From taking bribes, To staine Astraas name.

Cleare lights, pure lamps,
Rare ftemms, rich ftreames of life,
Who shine, beame, spring,
And draine your christall course
From Iustice throne,
To coole the heate of strife,
By curbing aw with law,
With censure, sorce,
To chastise with restraint,
Cheare with remorse;
Long may you liue,
Since by your life you give
Iustice new breath,
And make her ever live.

Salus ciuitatis sita est in legibus.

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IN MOMVM.

Vid carpendo premis tua vifcera ferrea Momel Momus, Mimus eris dum mea feripta premis. Haud curo inuidiam, mea fpes tenuissima tuta est, Nam tuta est tenuis vena, sed alta minus. Anguis es, & viridi latitans fub fronde, venenum Eijeis, exiguo tempore inermis eris.

Non fum cui fortuna nocet, vel fata inuabunt, Fata canunt magnis, non cecinere meis.

Non cecinere meis, licet isla poemata magnis (Si mihi vota fauent) sint relegenda locis.

Me paucis mal le à fapientibus esse probatum.

IN ZOILVM.

* Mercurium in lingua, non in pectore geris. Exit vt exiguam fubtilis Aranea telam,

*Zoile sie scriptis tela retorque meis.

Torque, retorque, manet mea laus, mea gloria maior,
Quo magis exhausta est gloria maior erit.

Vlciscar scriptis: tua mens tuus vltor adibit,
Inuidiæ stimulis mens tua puncta tuis.

Pone miser miseræ monumenta miserrima vitæ,
Vixisti misero more, miserq. mori.

IN PARONEM.

Inuifurum faci lius quam imitaturum. Zeuxes. Aro parem, nec habet nec habere optat, Impar est præmijs, impar & laboribus; Opera carpit mea studijs assiduis, Tacet, attamen aliena carpit; O quantæ tenebræ tenuere locum, Tuum, Cymmerijs inuolutum vmbris? Vt minus afflares aliorum operibus, Opera corrigis, emendare nequis; Oleum & operam perdidit Paro Per aurea fecula transeat Maro. Non plura referam, reticere iuuat, Si tu maleuolam reprimes linguam, Sin male dicendo pergas dispergere Hisce teterrima crimina scriptis, Scribam, liuorem irritare magis Torquendo rigidi viscera Paronis.

Vid. Martial. in.
Lib. 3. Epigr.
in Zoilum.
Conuiua quifquis Zoili poteft effe, &c.
—rumpantur
ilia Codri inuidia.

Crefcant & crepant. Vid. Apotheg.

AD INVIDVM.

Exeat Menippus.

I Nuidus vlcifcens vltor fibi maximus effet, Nam ftupet ille malis fic periendo fuis.

AD SEIPSVM.

Intret Aristippus.

T V tibi res folitus non te fubiungere rebus, Me peritura doces spernere, spreta pati.

FINIS.



Dane'd are my Measures, now I must repose, (Retire at least) and laugh at vertues soes, Who let them frowne, sume, fret, this is my Mot, My spirit's about their spite; I feare them not.

Faults are as obuious to bookes in Presse, as misconstruction after. Do me the fauour to correct such escapes with thy pen as are past in the Print: for fuch as are more consequent they are here noted, for the impertinent they are to thy discreeter indgement referred.

Errata.

Pag. Tab. for fubihet, reade in fome coppies sublect pag. 48. line vlt. for liuer. leaue. pag.. 51. l. 15. for thas, r. that p.68.l.16.for suppressed, r. suppress. p. 79. l. 14. for heare, r. seare. p. 110. l. vlt. for marks, marts. p. 160. l. 8. for excellent, r. exquisite. p. 161. l. 1. adde, are euer to be. p. 164. for eminent, r. imminent. ibid. tit. ψεσδολ. ψεσδοφ. πολιγοτ. p. 209. in marg. adde, issue.



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